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# The Canyon News

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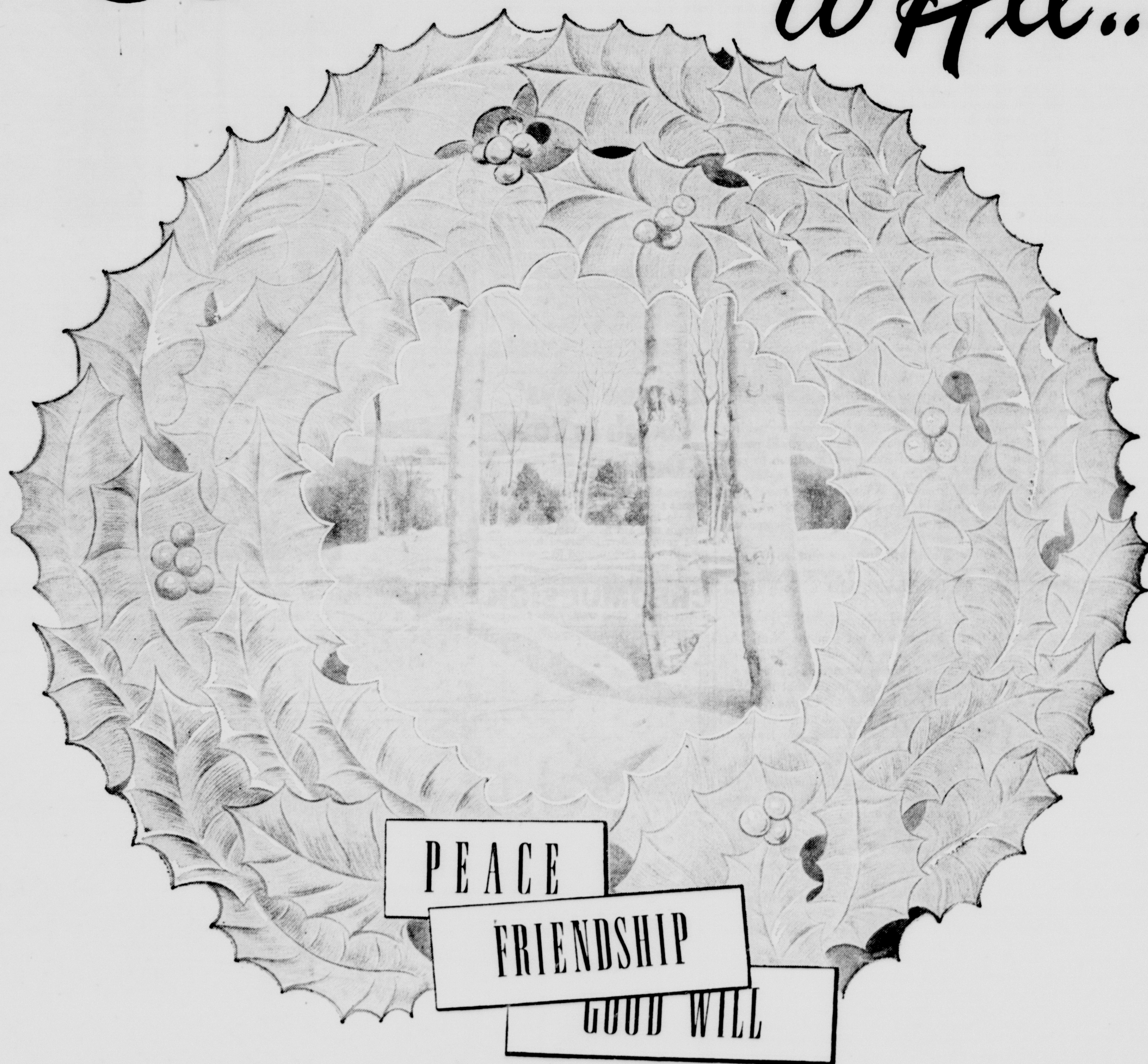
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# Merry Christmas to All...



*I*n this season of Holiday Joy we extend  
our best wishes to you, your family and friends.

May the true spirit of the season find its way to your  
home and hearth, bringing with it days of  
quiet happiness and peaceful content.

## THE CANYON NEWS

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## EDITORIAL COMMENTS

## A Few Observations As The Days Roll By . . . .

It's Christmas time again!

The calendar not only says that tomorrow will be December 25th, but the spirit of the people, as they rush about getting ready for the great gift time of the year clearly indicates that this is Christmas.

Perhaps this will not be as joyful a time to some of our people as the days of yesteryears. Many of our good folks have endured pain, hardships and real suffering in the loss of loved ones during the past year. Those who have been so unfortunate have the deepest sympathy of their fellowmen as a result of this tragedy which has beset them.

The birth of the Christchild was a step toward healing the pain and suffering of others.

Today, as we celebrate this great event, may the spirit of Christ prevail in our giving and in our lives.

A Merry Christmas to one and to all.

This is the first time in history that you have ever read a fresh new copy of *The Canyon News* on Monday.

Getting the paper out on time has been no little job. Thanks to those who have contributed so much toward the success of this issue.

As you enjoy the pleasures of Christmas, please remember that all of us here at *The News* office double our deepest appreciation for the splendid co-operation which you have given us during the past year, and through the past years while we have been able to be of service to you.

Christmas not only brings many, many opportunities for service to the community, but it likewise brings multiplied problems from a mechanical standpoint in producing a newspaper.

All of the readers are aware of the scarcity of print paper. The unfortunate feature is the reduction in quality of all kinds of paper. The paper mills have cheapened their product so much that we are out great expense in any kind of printing.

This is the last gripe that you will hear from us during 1951, but we simply had to get this one in before the close of the year. We read in a trade publication the other day that news print is not only going to be much scarcer in 1952, but the quality would go down and the price was going up.

That's our Christmas headache!

Many Canyon business firms will close their doors Wednesday. If you just tap on the doors of closed business firms, you will likely gain admittance and will find the full crew taking inventory.

Uncle Sam is calling for income tax payments from a big part of the business firms on January 15th, and this is only a few days off.

Another Christmas headache!

We received a letter from a reader the other day who accused us of being partisan against Senator Taft in favor of President Truman.

This reader evidently had failed to read closely what the President had said about Taft and the feeling which we held toward Truman at that time. Truman indicated that he wanted Taft as the GOP standard bearer and figured that he would be the easiest candidate to beat.

Our conclusion was "God help the country," on which we stand today.

However, since this declaration, the graft, greed and corruption which has stirred the nation has given Truman such a black eye that now we feel that Taft or any other good Republican will defeat Truman.

To this we are in hearty accord.

This politics business is a funny thing. Here we are engaged in a political battle which will get nastier and nastier as the months roll by. The Democratic Party must stand on the mistakes of the Truman administration.

The greed and graft of a handful of federal office holders must be the record on which the President will seek re-election.

However, you may say that Truman is not a candidate and has never declared for re-election.

True enough, but to all intent and purpose he is running for the office as hard as he can.

And when you stop to analyze the situation, who would want to step into his shoes and make the race with the country torn by the recent corruption which has been disclosed.

The trouble is that the President has shut his eyes to conditions in his own administration when he should have had them wide open and alert to the theft by his appointees.

We pointed out two weeks ago the dangers of the present situation.

We reaffirm this declaration that of the more than two million federal employees probably not more than 200 or 300 are guilty of misdoings.

It is this minority which is causing so much confusion in the nation. These fellows should be punished, and if Truman tries to put the brakes on in any sense of the word, he will be equally as guilty as those who are accused of getting away with the people's money.

And talking of politics, the little vote of Randall county is not going to elect a president come November, 1952, but we shall be a bunch of dullards unless we go to the polls and vote at that time.

That is the main reason why we are devoting so much time and space to discussion of politics these 10 months before election.

Get your poll tax receipt and get ready for the big vote in November.

We hardly need call your attention to the fact that 1952 will be political year for the election of local officers.

We have heard little discussion of probable candidates, but there are always plenty in the field. When January rolls around, local candidates will begin to announce for public office.

A youth from Germany spoke in Canyon last week. He is 17 years of age, an exchange student in the Amarillo high school. You could hardly expect a 17 year old boy to be mature, but this young fellow gave a good account of himself and his native land. On the question of rearming, there seemed to be

diverse opinion among the audience. The youth declared that when a nation arms, war followed. He had seen this happen to his native land twice, and perhaps read history to show that it had happened other times.

What about police action? The youth is still of the opinion that when there were too many guns involved, one of them is likely to go off.

No one is convinced that the world must not arm against Russia, and from prevailing opinions it is indicated that America should not fail to be ready if and when Russia starts a war.

While so much resentment is going the rounds against our federal government, it would be well to stop and consider what is good in America today.

The fact that people are allowed to talk, openly and unchecked, is the best indication that America is still the strongest nation in the world.

However, allow us to suggest that strong nations in the past have spent themselves into a state of weakness. America could follow in their footsteps.

Not a very happy thought for Christmas!

Only three more days of the temporary truce in the Korean War.

Time will run out on December 27, and from all indications nothing will be accomplished. A pretty safe prediction: The Reds will ask for and receive added time during which period they hope to strengthen their forces for an all out attack upon UN forces.

The Red sympathizers in the State Department are running the war in Korea, while the military men, who know the score, are taking orders from the non-military.

The situation is deplorable.

Men are being killed and captured by the Reds through manipulations of the State Department.

It is time that some one in Washington discovered a foreign policy which will not be ignored by Moscow. This policy seems to be FORCE and MORE FORCE.

We are getting ready to start another series of hikes in the cost of living. Getting ready for the big bust which must eventually come, if sanity is to be restored in America.

Before another issue of *The News* is published the steel men say that they will either get another raise in wages, or they will strike.

John L. Lewis says that his coal miners are due for another hike in wages.

Auto manufacturers are asking for increased prices simply because they must raise wages to keep up with the trend of prices. When these three great commodities are increased in price, there is nothing left for the index of living, except increases.

This simply means that the little fellow, with a fixed salary will be the goat. His salary will remain the same, but the cost of living will continue to raise more and more. When these three great unions get what they want from the White House, every man, woman and child in the nation will be affected. Their cost of living will go up, and their income will be cut just so much.

This terrible spiral will increase just so long as we have the present set-up in Washington where no man, except the labor bosses, have a word to say about the cost of living.

We see that England will not join the North Atlantic Pact, but will give all aid possible to the countries which go into the agreement.

Viewed from this distance, it means that the Marshall Plan will not be applied to England, where most of the money has been wasted in governmental frills, which a lot of misguided souls are trying to apply to America.

We are furthermore told that The Marshall Plan has saved France and Italy from Communism. We hope this is true, but this country has no more money to waste on political experiments.

Just what the decision of England means to the future plans of General Eisenhower is hard to predict.

Unless the General is willing to return to America in January or February, thus giving up his dream for the defense of Western Europe, there seems to be little chance for his campaign for the GOP nomination.

While Eisenhower is overcoming obstacles in Europe, Senator Taft is gathering votes in America.

Maybe Eisenhower would prefer to battle the forces of Europe than to meet the fate of politics in America. At any rate, he has a safe and secure job for the remaining days of his life by staying on in the armed forces. He would not have such security, even if elected in November, 1952. It is a well known fact that America kills her presidents through overwork and worry.

The release of the list of war prisoners by the Reds again reminds us that we are not dealing with humans: We are threatened by madmen, who's only decree is to destroy, and destroy.

In the meanwhile we are giving aid to the Reds who fall into our hands, treating them like human beings instead of mere animals.

This has been a most eventful year, filled with heartache and disappointments; happiness and cheerfulness; economic upsets as well as advancements; military strength as well as weakness; destruction of lives and property on the land, in the air, and on the sea.

Yes, it has been a great year, filled with opportunities for the stout hearted.

May your Christmas be a Merry one.

The best way to help Canyon is to be a good citizen in all that the term implies.

The trouble with highly-preserved emotions is that they drop suddenly to a new low.

Go-getters are mainly responsible for the business idea that the profits justify the means.

If money grew on trees, the big corporations would probably own all of the trees.

Nobody appreciates fire insurance more than the man whose home burns down.

When doctors go into conference, the patient is either very sick or very rich.

Modern miracle: The manner in which Santa Claus gets into some apartments.

## WHO &amp; Knows

1. What does the legal term, mandamus, mean?
  2. What percentage of U. S. public school teachers are women?
  3. Why are automobiles 25 years old and older exempt from price controls?
  4. Is a college education more costly now than 50 years ago?
  5. What are the three most dangerous occupations in the U. S.?
  6. How many of the college co-eds are taking home-economics courses?
  7. A new mountain range, the size of the Rockies, has been discovered. Where is it?
  8. What do Americans owe for homes and other major items of consumer goods?
  9. Where is printed matter — including newspapers and books, sent postage free?
  10. What county in the U. S. has the largest population?
- (See The Answers on Page 7.)

The number of men with criminal records who have associated with important Government officials is beginning to attract attention.

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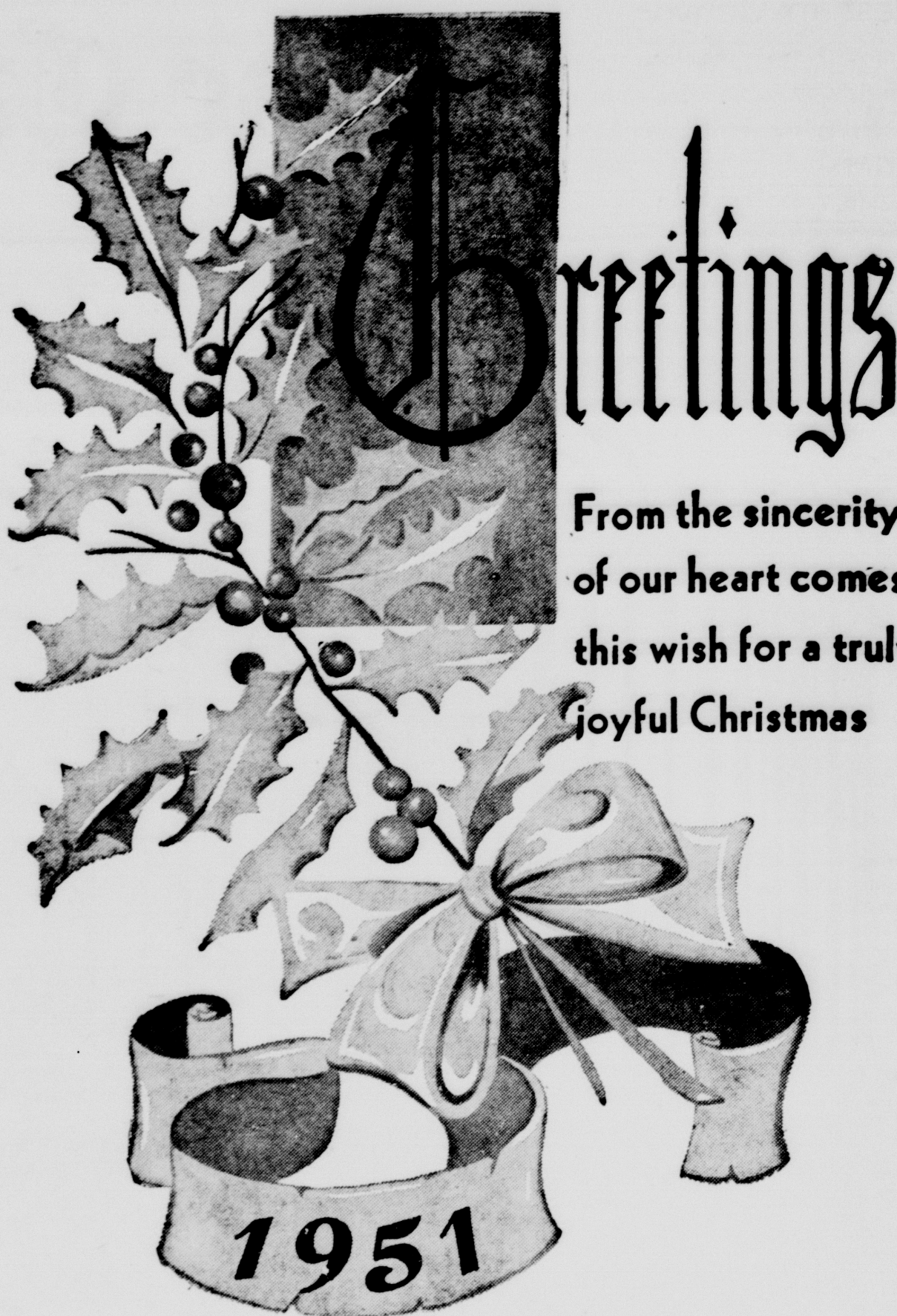
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# Greetings

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of our heart comes  
this wish for a truly  
joyful Christmas

## THOMPSON'S

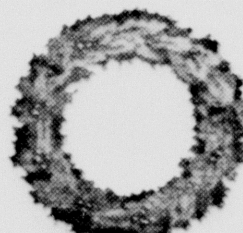
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May the angels bending  
near the earth bring  
you an abiding peace



In the spirit of the blessed  
day we wish you a  
completely happy  
Christmas



# T. A. BLACK



## Just Between You, Me, and The Gatepost

One of the biggest news stories since the assassination of Gandhi in India, broke last week. The big event was the list of United Nations men held prisoner by the Communist forces. Special announcements were run on radio stations and as the names came in over the United Press wires, they were announced to the public. The announcements gave new hope to many people who were in doubt about loved ones lost in action in Korea. The announcement was also made that if folks had a loved one lost whose name did not appear on the list, should not give up hope. The list was announced as being incomplete.

Most of Canyon's merchants were divided as to which days they should close for Christmas. Some planned to close Tuesday and Wednesday while others will be closed Tuesday only.

College students learned early that they would be free after their final class Thursday afternoon. There was no assembly Thursday and some of the afternoon classes were moved up so that students could get classes over with as early as possible and be on their way home to a Merry Christmas.

The fact is that Christmas is unfolding in all its glory and students who have been grinding away at classes since September are eager to take advantage of the holidays. No doubt the students are home, sleeping late in order to make up for the sleep they lost the night before. So goes life, and, ain't it wonderful?

The Journalism students who get

out The Prairie had a fitting close for 1951. They managed to get a huge red Santa Claus, in a montage effect, on the front page of the last Prairie. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year was expressed in five languages on the front page also.

It appears that a number of the college male population is already beginning to worry about the coming of Leap Year. Hiding places for bachelors will be more difficult to find than income tax exemptions. The trouble is that most of the students don't make enough money to support themselves well. Now Leap Year rears its ugly head and gives the predatory females an opportunity to bare talons and go after all unattached males. Oh, what a dreadful fate that throws a poor helpless man in the clutches of those grasping, scheming females.

There was probably lots of coffee bets lost on the high school football game between Baytown and Lubbock. Many people expected Lubbock to win by at least two touchdowns. Even though Lubbock managed to win the game, the 12 to 14 score gave the fans something of a special thrill for the final Texas High School football game for the year of 1951.

About 18 members of the Lions Club showed up to give a pint of blood each last Monday night. The blood is to be used by Randall County patients and will be stored in the Potter County Blood Bank in Amarillo until needed. Approximately 30 men had signed up to give blood but it had been several weeks since they signed and many apparently forgot or didn't know that the blood was to be taken on that particular night.

Cecil Massey kept the telephone line so busy trying to call someone to come and give a pint of blood that Bill Money could not get a call through to find out whether

or not they needed additional donors.

Everyone has been busy getting prepared for Christmas. Guy Harp reported that last week was another heavy one as far as mail traffic was concerned. People must have been mailing those last minute packages and cards.

Christmas time is also a period when a certain class of jokes make their way around. The jokes usually concern Santa Claus and some local character. There's the one about the little boy who tried to come down the chimney and got stuck. He pinned a note on it for Santa to use the door or window as the chimney was too small.

Then there's the joke about the man who was listening to a preacher tell how mother nature always had the Christmas spirit. The preacher explained that if an arm were lost mother nature made up for it by making the other arm stronger. If an eye is lost the other eye gets greater power and can see more, the preacher explained.

The curious gentleman who had been listening intently jumped up and burst out, "I've always noticed that when a person has one short leg the other is longer."

There's also a story concerning the grouch who absolutely refused to sleep on a feather pillow. He was afraid one of the feathers might tickle him and force him to laugh against his will.

There's a rumor that the White Auto Store in Canyon will move from here to Earth, Texas, between now and the first of the year. This is not good for the town. One of the most important things for any town is to hold all the businesses it has and at the same time attract more. The Chamber of Commerce is working very hard to get more businesses and industries. This is necessary for additional progress in our community.

The other day the discussion came up of new bosses who try to create a miracle by completely changing the course of a business overnight. John Brazill is one person who doesn't believe in these sudden changes. When you talk to most people you'll learn that they, too, prefer the slower, more secure change rather than the drastic, radical one. The fact is that a person sometimes has his eyes on a goal and fails to see the obstacles between himself and the goal.

The influence that a person has is often the result of the good that the person does for the community in which he lives. Too many people are afraid of being criti-

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### WHO WILL BE THE 1952 CHAMP?

## Local Dairy Cattle Are Well Fed and Tops in Production

cised so they do nothing for the good of the community. The fact remains that there will be criticism whether anything is done or not. The person who does nothing is a greater target for critics than one who goes ahead and tries to help the community advance, regardless of what may be said.

Gen. Hoyt Vandenberg, Air Force Staff Chief, having his troubles with air bases in Britain, is running into trouble in North Africa as well. Construction that started with a rush is slowed down owing to difficulties in getting U. S. technicians to stay on the job in the desert.

Robert A. Taft, U. S. Senator from Ohio: "Stalemate peace is better than a stalemate war."

During the month of October the Randall County DHIA was tops in production and tied for first in fat.

Through a new release bulletin recently received, it was pointed out that underfeeding cattle is one of the most expensive forms of management. This is because underfed herds give little or no returns upon the investment placed in them.

The bulletin goes on to explain that the important factor in feeding cattle is to be sure they get a balanced diet. All the correct

feeds for a balanced diet are not known at this time, but as modern science assists the dairyman, more of these facts are being discovered. The important thing is to learn the correct protein contents of the various feeds now being used.

Some of the dairy herds in this vicinity to gain a high rating on the bulletin were those of George Heard, Grady Hazlewood, Neil Downing and Ed Bourn and Son.

Mr. Truman is convinced that a truce in Korea will revive his sagging political fortunes, and will more than wash out the effect of developing scandals. The heat is on to conclude a truce.

### CLASS OF 1949 TO HAVE PARTY

The Class of 1949 will hold its annual Christmas party on Monday, December 31, in the Walter Gram home.

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Very Merry Christmas!

SOUTHWESTERN

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## New Signs Dress Up Departments Of the Hospital

Something new has been added to the Nebett Hospital. The new addition is a group of signs that will prove very useful to those people who aren't thoroughly familiar with the hospital.

The black and white bakelite signs were put up Friday. There were about 75 signs in the entire group. There was a sign placed above each and every door, the use of which was not completely obvious. The various offices were given a more elaborate sign as a means of positive identification.

Among the group of smaller

signs is a huge sign for the reception room. This large sign gives all the information pertaining to visiting hours of the morning, afternoon and maternity cases. The signs will make it possible for a total stranger to come into the hospital and find his way around. There is also an additional job that the signs do and that is to give the place a more dignified atmosphere.

Beautiful pot plants and cut flowers, Ivy galore. See Stevens Stevens Floral 12

### ACREAGE BOOST

The Government has called on farmers to push production next year at least four per cent above this year's near-record yields to meet "the greatest needs we have ever faced." Special efforts were urged to boost production of livestock feed grains so as to maintain a high level output of meat, milk and eggs.

### VICE-VERSA

It is a fact that singing is extremely beneficial in certain cases of deafness, says a medical column. And vice-versa.

Science is "closing in" on polio O'Connor tells President.

Women are urged to curb inflation in this country.

Armed forces say recruiting drives are money-savers.

Theodore A. Jones, CPA, who has managed Joe Louis' affairs since 1948: "It is my opinion that Joe's career is over and that he will never fight again."

### 4-H CLUB STAMP

A commemorative stamp, honoring the 4-H Clubs of the nation, will go on sale at Springfield, Ohio, on January 15, according to the Postoffice Department. Springfield is considered to be the birthplace of the 4-H Club movement.

Henri Bonnet, French Ambassador to United States: "France is carrying a very heavy burden and there is need for help."

Chinese Communists building new rail links to Soviet Asia.

Work on superliner United States is 85 per cent completed.

41st victim in radium plant dies of poison contracted in 1918.



Our heartiest wishes for a grand holiday season

MARVIN'S SHOE SHOP



### Ticklers

By George



"Oh, I feel fine outside of a slight ringing in my ear."

Head of Yale says universities must find new income sources.

Federal highway aid fund of \$500,000,000 is allocated.

Grange is told end of surpluses means bigger crops.

20,000 bids for oil land leases swamp Federal office.

Japan needs help only five years, investment men say.

High taxes cloud stockholders' hopes for year-end dividends.

Soviet to return two icebreakers, part of lend-lease.

I. C. C. gives railroads 32 per cent rise in rates of hauling mails.

O. P. S. bars price increase on single bottles of beer.

Nation-wide drive is set to spur study of science.

Warren opens drive, asking G. O. P. unity on social progress.

Taft calls liberty vs. socialism main domestic political issue.

Control of inflation seen resting in hands of public.

Tennessee and Maryland accept bids to Sugar Bowl game.

Air Force goal of ninety-five groups is delayed into 1953.

Chapman authorizes study of cost of liquid fuel production.

White potato price ceilings foreseen if rise is continued.

McDougald and Mays voted rookies of year in big leagues.

Egypt to take over training of "liberation groups."

Help Keep Canyon Clean!

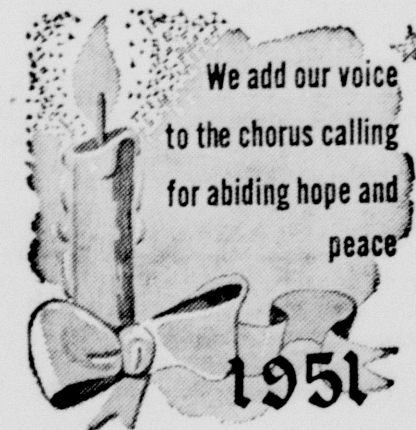
### DEFINITION

Net. — Anything reticulated or decessated at equal distance, with interstices between the intersections.



All the joys of the season be yours in abundance

A-1 CLEANERS



## TAYLOR-EVANS FARM STORE

### MISUNDERSTOOD

"Give me a pound of those plums. My husband is fond of them. Do you know if they have been sprayed with any kind of poison?"

"No ma'am; you'll have to get that at the drug store."

### THE DIFFERENCE

Miss Green: "I know he's rich, but isn't he too old to be considered eligible?"

Mrs. Brown: "My dear, he's too eligible to be considered old!"

Sears, Roebuck to sell low-priced cars to be built by Kaiser.

Thrice-beaten Kentucky will play in Cotton Bowl January 1.

Yugoslavia to force peasants into collective by punitive tax.

### WHAT A SHAME

A well-known woman was famous for her charity. She couldn't bear to know of the distress of others without doing something to relieve it. She returned to her table in a restaurant recently and informed her husband that she had just given \$20 to the woman in charge of the ladies' cloak-room.

"What's the matter with you?" asked her husband. "What's the idea of spending money like that?"

The woman's eyes began to dim with tears.

"The poor thing," she explained, "told me she had no television set."

N. E. Dodd, Director-General, U. N. Food and Agricultural Organization: "Grim is still the word for the world food situation."

## LIGHT A CANDLE

For us on Christmas Day — and may its glow reflect the radiance of our cordial wishes to you and yours, this Christmas — and always.

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## MY STARS!

I'm running around in circles trying to find a new and different way to remind you of me this Christmas, but guess I'll just have to say, "Season's Greetings — to You."

## BOB'S CAMPUS SHOP

The evil that men do lives after them; The good is often interred with their bones. — Shakespeare.

Thomas E. Dewey, Governor of New York: "We are now in World War II. Never before has such a vast war been waged on such a vast scale."

Oliver Powell, governor of the Federal Reserve System: "There are plenty of goods to go around — if we all try not to buy more than our share."

Robert A. Taft, U. S. Senator from Ohio: "Russia is a threat to the security of the United States that Hitler never was."

### CIVIL DEFENSE

More than 1,500,000 volunteers have joined civil defense forces, according to Millard Caldwell, Federal Civil Defense Administrator, who points out that this is far from enough, but enough to put our enemy on notice."

Help Keep Canyon Clean!

### SATEEN

A new type of cotton-sateen cloth is gradually replacing heringbone twill as the material for army fatigue clothing. While it sounds a little on the fancy side, Army Quartermaster said the new fabric proved to have better wearing qualities and greater abrasion resistance than the twill during extensive tests.

### U. S. DEBT

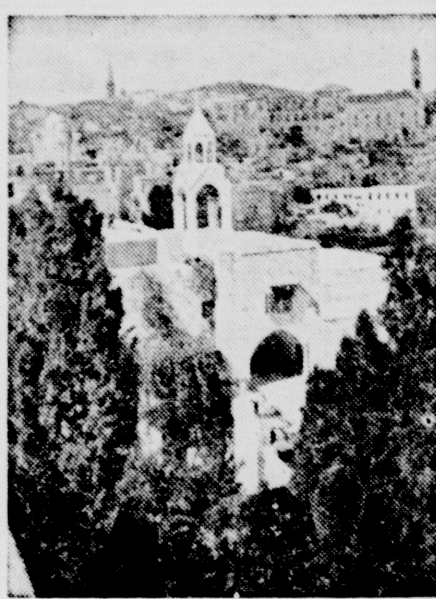
Under the pressure of defense spending the national debt next year may reach, if not pass, the present legal limit of \$275,000,000. Congress may be asked to increase the ceiling. The top ceiling on the debt during World War II was \$300,000,000 and the actual debt reached \$279,200,000,000.

### WE MODERNS

The modern idea of roughing it is to do without a heater in the limousine.

Brundage bars subsidized athletes from 1952 Olympic teams.

Buy, Build, Live in Canyon!



BETHLEHEM

The Church of the Nativity

## Everyone Wants To See Just One 'Good Old' Yule

"How I would long to see just one more 'old-fashioned Christmas.'"

These are familiar words at this time of the year. Before the Yuletide season is over, some member of the family, grandfather or grandmother, probably, is certain to pass that remark, as they have done each Christmas of the past.

And yet, if we search back into the records . . . to the turn of the century, say . . . we find that, even then, someone was wishing for "an old-fashioned Christmas." It is then that we realize that the celebration of the birth of Christ has not changed greatly with the passage of centuries. Basically, Christmas is the same, year after year. It is only the world and the people who are not the same.

He may not admit it, but when grandfather first began to raise a family, he overheard his elders musing over the changing Christmas customs and heralding the approach to "complete commercialism" of the Yuletide celebration. Even then they were worried.

No one can deny that Christmas has been greatly "commercialized" since the days of early America. Yet, so has the entire nation. In the days of our ancestors there were none of the vast trading centers and commercial marts that we know today. Our very way of life has been greatly changed with modernization. Our holidays, and Christmas is the principal one, have managed to keep abreast.

Still, without reservation, Christmas is basically unchanged in its true meaning as a celebration of the birth of the Christ-Child redeemer, come to save the world. No matter how great or how small the presents piled beneath the tree, each Christian heart never ceases to remember that Christmas is Christ's day.

### Custom of 'Pinata'. Observed in Mexico. Is Spreading to U.S.

The pinata, Christmas custom so long observed by the happy children of Mexico, is gradually spreading into the United States.

Although it performs year-round duty in the land south of the border, the pinata is busiest during the Mexican Christian festival that lasts from December 16 to January 6. In America, it is used in various parts of the country only at Christmas time.

The pinata is made of thin, fragile clay, and is filled with sweetmeats and trinkets before being suspended from the ceiling.

Each of the guests, not always only just children—is blindfolded and given a stick. The object is to swing the sticks overhead until someone shatters the pinata, sending the delicious contents pouring out.

The pinata is a great aid in making the long Christmas season tolerable for Mexican children. Tradition decrees that they must wait until the final day of the 21-day Christmas season to receive their gifts.

### Christmas Was Once Holiday That Moved About on Calendar

Christmas was once a movable feast. The eastern branches of the Christian church usually celebrated it in April or May, Western Europe sometime in January.

In 337 A.D., St. Cyril, bishop of Jerusalem, set out to make the date universal. With the permission of Pope Julius I, he appointed a commission to determine, if possible, the precise date of Christ's nativity. The theologians of the Church finally agreed upon December 25, and since the year 334 this date has been celebrated.

Members of the Greek, Russian and Ukrainian Orthodox churches in the 20th century observed the date of January 7.

U. S. hints idle plants that may be used for defense.



By Richard Hill Wilkinson

MRS. Southern was desperately in need of money, and so when she came across the Currier and Ives print she thought right off that it might be possible to sell the picture to a collector for a considerable sum. The painting was dusty and fly-specked and encased in a heavy, antiquated gold frame, but she carried it down to the kitchen and cleaned it as best she could, and then called in Burt.

"It's been in the attic for years," she explained. "Mother had it a long time ago. And you know some Currier and Ives prints are worth fortunes."

Burt scratched his chin and scrutinized the barely distinguishable signature. He nodded slowly. "You might get something for it at that," he said. "It's a Currier and Ives all right, and it's sure enough old."

"Oh, Burt, wouldn't it be wonderful if we could! Why, it would just solve everything!"

Burt grinned. "Well, there's no harm in trying. More I look at it the more I think it might bring a price. Tell you what I'll do: I'll call Moe Avery. He's a collector and he'll buy it if it's worth anything."

So Burt went to the 'phone and called Moe Avery. "He'll be here



Mrs. Southern held her breath while he bent to study the painting.

in an hour's time," he told his wife a moment later. "We'd better not get too optimistic though. Probably turn out to be worthless."

"Oh, Burt, you don't think it will! Why—why I'd be satisfied if it brought \$50!"

"Ought to bring that," said Burt. "Ought to bring more! However, no use in getting optimistic."

Mrs. Southern sighed. "Fifty dollars!" she said. "Think of it. Just think of all the things we could do. But there, as you say, I mustn't get optimistic."

"That's best," Burt agreed. "Even \$25 is a lot of money to us."

They talked about the prospects and possibilities, both pro and con, undergoing various sensations of hope and fear and optimism and misgivings, until finally the door bell rang and Burt admitted Moe Avery.

Moe was a brisk and efficient little man. He greeted them briefly, and then produced his glasses.

"How long?" he asked, "has this print been in your family?"

"Oh, ever so long," said Mrs. Southern. "I—I've rather lost track."

"Hum," said Moe. "You've been saving it?"

"Yes," said Mrs. Southern, "we've been saving it."

The collector removed his glasses, carefully returned them to his case and put the case into his pocket. His face wore a doleful expression. He sighed heavily. "I'm afraid," he said, "that I can't offer you enough to make it worth your while to sell. I'm sorry."

SHE SAID, striving to keep her voice under control: "Just a minute, Mr. Avery. We do need the money, and I've gone to the bother of carrying it way down stairs—"

Mr. Avery hesitated. "No," he said presently. "I can't do it. It would be robbery. Tell you what: I'll call a collector friend of mine and send him out."

Mrs. Southern felt a little panicky. What if the collector friend couldn't pay them anything? After all, Mr. Avery knew them and was bound to be sympathetic. The collector friend might be merely an excuse.

Mr. Avery looked from one to the other of them. "Well, all right, since you insist. But don't feel insulted at my low figure. I realize what you have here, all right. Don't mistake that. But ready cash is scarce, and it's the best I can do."

Mrs. Southern had visions of \$3, even \$2. The suspense was making her nervous. She said: "Well, what is your offer, Mr. Avery?"

The collector took a deep breath. "O. K. Now, remember and don't throw me out. It's a rare print,—we all know that—but the best I can offer right now is \$1300."

"Thirteen hun—" Burt tried to catch his wife before she hit the floor. But he missed. She was conscious again when the doctor arrived.

"She'll be all right," the doc said. "in a few minutes. Must have got a slight shock. . . . Well, I'll be running along Merry Christmas."

"Thanks," said Burt. "Yeah, Merry Christmas. Yeah, Merry Christmas. . . . Yow! MERRY CHRISTMAS! You bet!"

Japan advised not to depend upon U. S. aid indefinitely.

## Children Call Santa Then See Him in Person

Early Friday morning Santa Claus started taking calls from the children of Canyon. The local operators were kept busy with the calls until Santa left the North Pole to make a personal appearance in downtown Canyon.

Approximately 100 calls had been taken from the younger generation in Canyon before Santa left his office. A fire truck with a sound system was prepared and waiting for Santa at the east side of the square. He arrived on time and there was a large crowd of children to greet him.

The children lined up in an orderly manner and each patiently waited his or her turn to tell Santa what gifts were desired for Christmas. Youngsters from school found plenty of time to get down and place an order with Santa. The public schools released their students at 3:10 Friday afternoon for the holidays.

After visiting with the Canyon youngsters for a couple of hours Santa had to be on his way. Children were reminded that they could telephone him the following day. The calls could be placed between 9:00 a. m. and 6:00 p. m. all day Saturday.

All arrangements for the telephone calls and the personal appearance were taken care of by the Canyon Community Recreation Council.

### JUST A LITTLE THING

Salesman: "What kind of car would you like, madam, four, six or eight cylinders?"

Timid Customer: "Couldn't I begin with one?"

### COMPARATIVE PEACE

Husband (testifying in court) — Garrulous? Why, I have to go to football matches every Saturday to get a quiet afternoon.

### THE TOAST

"My father always proposed a toast before he disciplined me."

"That's funny! What was it?"

"Bottoms up!"

Time to me this truth has taught (Tis a treasure worth revealing). More offend by want of thought Than from want of feeling.

— Charles Swain

### NO AIR CENSORSHIP

The Federal Communications Commission has ruled that broadcasting stations have no right to censor the content of political speeches, even if they use state and local libel laws as an excuse. FCC said in its view no liability for libel rests against a station as a result of providing a microphone for a legally qualified candidate for public office to reach the voters.

J. Edgar Hoover, FBI head, talked President Truman out of an idea that Mr. Hoover should head up an investigation and prosecution of abuses of the public trust. The FBI Director explained that his organization is not one to appraise evidence and to prosecute wrongdoers.

When to mischief mortals bend their will, How soon they find it instruments of ill. — Pope.

Public reminded need for blood donations has not stopped.

### SHOULDN'T

People who live in stone houses shouldn't throw glasses.



## Merry Christmas To All of You

## RANDALL MOTOR CO.



## EVEN OUR SNOW MAN

Wants to get in our greetings to you this

Holiday Season.

## MONARCH CLEANERS

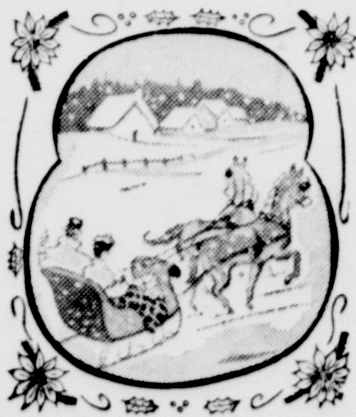


## HERE HE COMES!

That jolly, portly gent with the snowy beard; Red suit and cap, and twinkling blue eyes — Is swishing through the sky on his way to you; His sleigh a-bulging with its store of surprise.

## CANYON TAILORS BUFFALO TAILORS

## Tidings of Joy



Lots of old-fashioned Christmas happiness to all our good friends

1951

## AYERS FEED STORE



## Merry Christmas

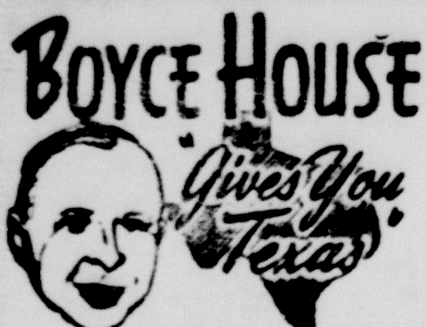
It is people like you who give meaning to our celebration of the Saviour's birth

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## BRASHER - WALSH OIL COMPANY

PHILLIPS "66" AGENCY





Former Gov. Pat M. Neff, years ago, delivered an eloquent speech—as all his speeches are. In this particular one, he declared:

"Texas is no longer the land of the wild and woolly West. Within the memory of men still living, where the Indians built their wigwams, universities now call the sons and daughters of Texas to halls of learning; where cow trails blazed a path, highways now throng with the wheels of commerce; above the prairies where ox teams freighted, flying machines now speed their way.

"Where the yelp of the gray coyote was once the only refrain, the roar of tractors, automobiles

and railroad trains now blend; where pirates once plundered, merchant marines now fly the flags of peace.

"There was a time in Texas when one could see farther and see less than in any other land; but now busy cities, flowing wells, fleecy staple, golden grain, costly school-houses and tall church spires can be seen wherever the vision falls.

"There was a time in Texas when our bawling, dirt-pawing cattle had more hide and less tallow, more horn and less beef than any other cattle in the world; but today Texas cattle are wearing the blue ribbons in the stock shows of the nation.

"And there was a time when our squealing, meatless, razor-backed hogs could outrun a motorcycle and outroot a steam shovel; but today the ham gravy and streaked bacon of the Texas hog satisfy the appetites of men wherever camp fires are lighted or the epicurean board is spread."

If all that we say  
In a single day  
With never a word left out  
Were printed each night  
In a clear black and white,  
'Twould prove queer reading, no doubt.  
And then just suppose,  
Ere our eyes we could close,  
We must read the whole record through;  
Then wouldn't we sigh,  
And wouldn't we try  
A great deal less talking to do?  
And I more than half think  
That many a kink  
Would be smoother in life's tangled thread,  
If half that we say  
In a single day  
Were forever left unsaid.  
—Author unknown

### Bible Verse to Study.

"But thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall he come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel."

1. Who is the author of this prophecy?
2. Of whom was the prophet speaking?
3. How long before the birth of Christ did Micah write?
4. Where may this verse be found?

### Bible Verse Answers

1. The Prophet Micah.
2. Of Christ, the promised Messiah.
3. At least 400 years.
4. Micah 5: 2.

Help Keep Canyon Clean!

## CHRISTMAS QUESTION CORNER

### QUESTIONS

- 1—Who was Kris Kringle?
- 2—What does the name Kris Kringle mean?
- 3—Who wrote the first Christmas Carols? When?
- 4—What superstition had the Scotch about the Christmas candle?
- 5—By what other name is mistletoe known?
- 6—Where did the custom of kissing under the mistletoe begin?
- 7—When were Christmas candles first used?
- 8—How long has the practice of gift giving at Christmas been observed?
- 9—How did the custom of hanging Xmas stockings originate?
- 10—Why are candles used during the Christmas season?

### ANSWERS

1. Santa Claus' helper.
2. "Little Christ Child."
3. St. Francis of Assisi and his friars—in Italy—during the 13th century.
4. It was considered an omen of bad fortune if the candle went out before midnight.
5. The Golden Bough.
6. England.
7. In the middle ages—at the Jewish "Feast of Lights."
8. Since the fourth century.
9. St. Nick once dropped a purse of coins down the chimney of a poor family. It landed in a stocking that had been hung to dry.
10. As symbols of the star of Bethlehem.

## Denmark Pays Homage To Hans Anderson—Santa's Best Helper

LAST YEAR a festival in Denmark paid tribute to one of the greatest helpers Santa Claus ever had. He was Hans Christian Andersen, fairy tale writer, and composer of many Christmas stories.

His works have sold more copies than any other book, except the Bible, and have been translated into 35 languages, including Arabic, Hebrew, Chinese, Japanese, and Greenlandish.

Since 1875, the year that he passed away, visitors from all parts of the world have come yearly to the town



of Odense to see the home of the writer of such tales as "The Little Match Girl," and "The Ugly Duckling."

Anderson's fairy tales, released just before Christmas each year, brought him money, fame and the attention of princes, as well as the adoration of children.

Once he received a United States dollar bill, enclosed in a letter written by a young American girl. It read: "Papa says that the dollar is my own, that he does not suppose you are in particular need of money, but I owe you this and a great deal more, he thinks it proper that I should send it to you."

## Ancient Church Bells Still Summon Village

A pair of ancient church bells, brought to Frankenmuth, Mich., from Bavaria shortly after Frankenmuth was founded as an Indian mission, has been calling the congregation of St. Lorenz to Christmas eve services for more than a 100 years.

Ninety-five per cent of the residents of the small community are members of the church, earning the village the title of "the most Christian community in the United States."

Frankenmuth has never had a crime of violence, and, as far as residents can remember, no one has been jailed over a period of 25 years. The only visitors to the lockup were transients given a night's lodging.



HAILING NEWBORN KING  
... Carol Singing Time

Researcher warns scientists U. S. aid is "national danger."



## GRIGGS - WARREN FUNERAL HOME

Matthew Connelly, appointment secretary, and Donald Dawson, patronage arranger, head up the White clique that is most influential with the President.

Fred Vinson, Chief Justice, is reported by his friends to be some-

what less interested in the suggestion that he accept a draft to head the Democratic ticket in 1952. Evidence of widespread corruption in Government is narrowing the field of Democrats who aspire to the nomination.

Southern Democrats are preparing to make a fight for a new Chairman of the Democratic National Committee before the 1952 campaign. Southerners opposed the selection of Frank McKinney for that job from the start and feel that their opposition is justi-

fied because of his part in a stock transaction that involved a company that tried to live off U. S. and foreign government contracts.

Beautiful pot plants and cut flowers, Ivy galore, See Stevens Stevens Floral

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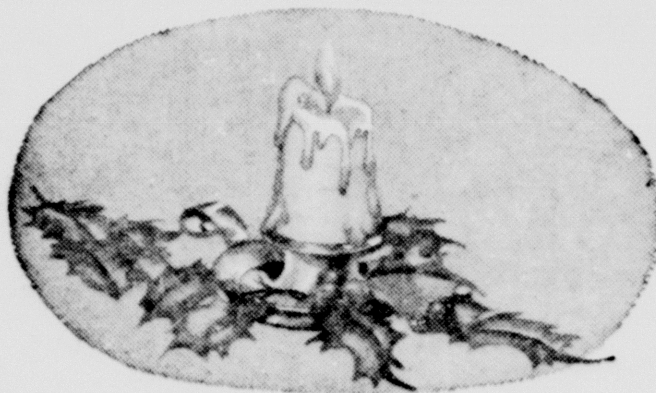


The best treat we have is the chance to wish you a Merry Christmas

1951

S. T. NORRIS

PAINTING CONTRACTOR



Peace in our town ... yes, and peace in our time for all the world... with the Christmas spirit holding eternal sway over all our hearts.

# WARREN'S



## News In Canyon 25 Years Ago

(Taken from the files of  
The Canyon News of  
December 23, 1926)

The \$250,000 paving bond issue carried by a majority of 941 to 122. Only two voting boxes in the county voted against the issue, 4 and 7. The Commissioners Court employed an engineer to make a preliminary survey for construction of the highway, which will be built by the State Highway Department.

John Knight received word that his mother had died at Tyler in her 88th year.

A bond issue of \$65,000 will be called by the trustees of the Canyon Independent School District in order that a ward school building may be erected.

Vern Dumas has wired O. W. H. Cook, cashier of the First National Bank, that Buffalo well will be sunk 1,000 feet deeper. Drilling was closed down at 3,500 feet.

Senator Estes Kefauver still is being pushed by his friends as a successor to J. Howard McGrath as Attorney General. The President, however, is advised that he cannot very well make a change in the Justice Department without making a change in the Treasury Department. John Snyder, Treasury Secretary, is the President's closest personal friend.

For all kinds of Christmas flowers,  
See Stevens Floral 12

## GREETINGS



L. L. BYARS

CONOCO AGENT

## The Answers . . .

1. Mandamus is a writ issued to enforce performance of a public duty.
2. About 80 per cent.
3. The OPS considers them antiquities and therefore free of price regulation.
4. Yes; costs have risen 400 per cent.
5. According to the National Safety Council: Mining, construction work and farming.
6. Only 10 per cent.
7. In the Pacific, between the islands of Bikini and Hawaii.
8. \$79,500,000,000 — an increase of 129 per cent since 1945.
9. In Panama, to encourage study and improvement in reading.
10. Cook County, Illinois, with more than 4½ million people.

## Happy Birthday

### December 21:

T. V. Slack  
Lee Roy Bauer  
Anna Marie Hoffman  
Mrs. Gene Peppard

### December 22:

Grant Sharman  
Eston Breiting  
Harold Heizer  
Eugene Hollabaugh  
Fay Plaster Hufnagle  
Jessie Bewley  
Donald Hancock  
Mrs. Gordon Lyons  
Charles Hicks  
Mrs. L. E. Hogge  
Boone McClure

### December 23:

Billy McAtee Smith  
O. J. Roberts  
Charles Boling  
Mrs. J. C. Shurman  
Mrs. J. C. Carver  
Glenn Owen Rhodes  
Mrs. Merrill W. Gorxy  
Elizabeth Jane Starks  
Don Wilson Hill  
Thomas H. Foster  
Mrs. Tom Brasher

### December 24:

Mrs. Clarence E. Thompson  
Fern Sanders  
Mrs. S. V. Williams  
Mrs. A. B. Russell  
Arvie Edward Marshall  
Mrs. W. L. Browning  
Rex Lawley  
Mrs. C. C. Shelnutt

### December 25:

Loyce Merle Dickerson  
Clyde Fewell  
Joe Don Ficke  
Ruby Garcia  
Mrs. Paul White  
Emerson E. Owen  
Mrs. S. R. Hood

### December 26:

Mary Orton  
Richard Walters  
Silas Hart  
Betty Ann Simon  
Jimmy Dale McBroom  
Frank Scales  
Phyllis Dugan  
J. E. Keenan  
Michael Joe Cullender  
Mary Owens

### December 27:

Mrs. Bill House  
Mrs. Marvin Fite  
Reynelle Rigsby Hinds  
Mrs. S. B. Loudder  
Roy S. Franklin, Jr.

### December 28:

Theresa Nell Smith  
Mrs. Bill Smith  
Coyle F. Shenefett

Marsene Penick Ford

Mrs. Herbert Girdsen

### December 29:

Mrs. J. M. Breiting  
Mrs. Herschel Coffee  
Frieda Menke  
Thomas Boling  
Mrs. Victor Steen  
Elmer Gene Mickey

### December 30:

Joe Cook  
Earl Gene Peppard  
Mrs. Dale Wegrich  
Neil Kilchristie  
Jeanette Shelnutt  
December 31:  
Morton Angel  
Bill Knighton  
C. H. Prichard  
Mary Lange  
Raymond La Couv  
M. E. Cantrell  
L. A. Pierce  
Billy Neal McMillen  
C. E. Colling  
William Eldon McCarter, Jr.  
Walter Boehning  
Richard A. Gray  
Bobby King

### January 1:

Tommy Hunter  
Mrs. Emmal Foster  
Mary Koenig  
Billy Thomas  
O. F. Meyers  
Mrs. Bertie Strain  
Virginia Lynn Blackburn  
Merle Jean Sherrill  
Clyde Mullins

### January 2:

Mrs. Glenn Braden  
Billy Oscar Gano  
Mrs. Ed Bazot  
Bradford Black  
Mary Ruth Hill  
Harold Root  
C. W. Fewell  
Herschel Coffee  
Mrs. O. C. Free

### January 3:

George Nance  
Mrs. Jessie Parker  
Hudson Prichard, Jr.  
C. N. Harrison, Jr.  
Mrs. M. DeGraffenried  
Mrs. George A. Farlow

Nation's crop to be the second largest on record.

Russia refuses to return 670 lend-lease ships to U. S.

## OUR DEMOCRACY — by Mat

### Good Will to Men

Christmas is a season when good will overflows the hearts of men. The spirit finds expression in:



For men of good will everywhere — of whatever race, or creed, or national allegiance — the message of Christmas expresses a hope and yearning: that out of good will to men may yet come  
*Peace on Earth.*

Senator Joseph McCarthy is almost assured that he will not face serious opposition for renomination in the Wisconsin Republican primary. Governor Walter Kohler, Jr., is pictured as unwilling to tangle with McCarthy in a showdown fight.

To Relieve  
Misery of  
**COLDS**  
take 666  
LIQUID OR TABLETS — SAME FAST RELIEF

# Season's Greetings

We want  
to see a  
truly Merry  
Christmas  
reflected in  
all your faces



1951

GEORGE SMALL

BUILDER

Donald R. Richberg says "great issue" for '52 is socialism.

# Christmas Greetings



1951

• To all the children --grownup or  
otherwise --our very best wishes.

Randall County Abstract Co.

A. B. HOLT, Manager

# Merry Christmas

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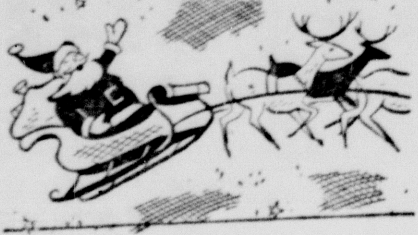
First National Bank

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GREETINGS to All  
at Christmastime



Best wishes for a very  
merry holiday



1951

## PLAINS CREAMERY

R. L. GLANTON

### HOMELY SPECIMEN

Aunt: Precious, what did you do in school today?

Precious: We had a nature study. Each pupil had to bring a specimen from home.

Aunt: And what did you bring, precious?

Precious: I brought a bedbug in a bottle.

### REASON ENOUGH

Pretty Stenog: What's the big idea of your working steady 10 hours a day? I wouldn't think of it. You know what the code said.

Equally Pretty Cashier: I didn't think of it myself. It was the boss who thought of it.

### WHOLESALE PRICES

Wholesale prices reached 177.6 per cent of the 1926 average in the last week in November, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics. That was 13.2 per cent over the wholesale price level before fighting began in Korea and 2.9 per cent above a year ago.

### FARM PRICES

For the second consecutive month, farm prices showed a rise in October. The mid-November farm price level was about 9.25 per cent above a year ago and 21.6 per cent above the pre-Korea level, according to the Agriculture Department.



### CHRISTMAS BACKDROP

## Christmas Seal Idea Conceived In Denmark

A DANISH postal clerk thought of the idea of attaching stamps to Christmas packages and letters in 1903, and a few years later the scheme was tried in America.

This year millions of Americans will receive a letter from their local chapter of the National Tuberculosis association containing Christmas seals, the seasonal reminder of the never-ending fight to stamp out the disease.

Einar Holboell, at work in a Danish postoffice conceived the idea of attaching decorative stamps to Christmas packages, the sale of which could be conducted by some worthwhile organization.

He mentioned it to his fellow workers and they decided it would be a great help in defraying the cost of fighting tuberculosis. The idea reached King Christian, who approved, and the image of Queen Louise was placed on the first seals in 1904.

Jacob Riis, Danish-born American, heard about the idea and sold it to the American public in 1907 through a magazine article written for Outlook magazine. A Red Cross worker, Miss Emily Bissell, started the first American sales that year.



By Edward L. Van Dyke

I'LL NEVER FORGET, I guess, the December night when our American Legion post meeting was interrupted by a knock on the door. Carl Engler, our third vice commander, was nearest the door. He glanced at the commander, then left the room. Out in the hall we could hear a high pitched voice saying something about "mama and daddy." Soon Engler returned, looking puzzled.

"Mister Commander," he said, "there's a boy outside who says he'd like to speak to the post. Says his name is David Cary and that what he has to say is mighty important."

Harry Brooks, our commander, a balding veteran of both world wars, arose.

"Comrades," says he, "I've an idea this lad is the son of Wilson Cary, up on Hollister Hill. Wilson's a veteran who's always knocking the Legion—never would join the post. Let's listen to what his boy has to say."

Young David that night really stirred up our meeting. It was just four days before Christmas; not too many members were present and all were anxious to get home. They really perked up, though.



With a groan he raised himself on one elbow and shook his fist.

When that boy stood gravely before us men and spoke his piece.

When the lad had left, gravely saluting the flag, just as he had seen Engler do, the commander turned to me.

"Comrade Butler," he said, "I appoint you chairman of a committee of six to look into this. Will someone make a motion that the committee be allowed to use up to fifty dollars, if it finds it proper in this case?"

The motion was duly made and everyone shouted "aye."

I drove up ahead of the gang that Saturday night—Christmas Eve. There wasn't much snow, but the roads were badly rutted and I made rather poor time on this, my second trip up the hill.

The Cary house was a neatly kept place, just off the hillside road. When I knocked at the door, Mrs. Cary let me in. She looked tired and worried.

"Oh, Mr. Butler," she said, her face brightening, "I'm glad you came." She lowered her voice. "Bill is pretty unhappy and bitter tonight—you know why. Walk right in."

WILSON CARY'S expression was a mixture of pain and bitterness. He didn't even offer me his hand.

"Now don't wish me a Merry Christmas," he said harshly. "A man can't be happy when he has a broken hip; is dead broke on Christmas Eve—and has a nice wife and kid on his mind."

I was thinking that, too. "Where's David?" I asked.

"He's asleep," said Cary. "You Legionnaires with your constitutional preamble of promoting peace and good will on earth," he snapped. "Fine words, sure—but words don't help my wife and kid. I'm sorry—glad you came, Butler—but I think you'd better go."

Then came the knock on the door—the sound I had been waiting for. You should have seen Mrs. Cary when the gang tramped in. There was Engler, carrying so many packages he almost staggered and behind him came McCarthy, Lepkowski, Dunn and Epstein, all with their arms full, too. The boys, you see, had chipped in some of their own cash.

Wilson Cary stared in amazement when we moved in. The packages, save those containing food, we piled near the foot of the bed.

"Bill," I said, "Carl Field Post just learned the other day about your being laid up. The boys just want you to know you're not forgotten."

Cary's lips were trembling. "How did you know about it?" he demanded. When I didn't answer, he spoke again.

"Why are you doing this—I'm not a post member, you know?"

"Bill," I said, "you mentioned the Legion preamble a minute ago. Maybe you don't know, but it winds up with these words—'and sanctify our comradeship by our devotion to mutual helpfulness.'"

My committee members were grinning happily. But Cary wasn't—he was crying like a kid.

"Come," I said to my gang. "Let's get the heck out of here."

Half of U. S. income, before taxes, goes to 20 per cent of people.

# A VERY Merry Christmas



19 What dreams may come must give you joy in this bright holiday season 51

## THE BUFFALO FOOD STORE

PHONES 1-2

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On Father's day and Mother's day we hasten to salaam.

But Uncle's day is here to stay—So here's to Uncle Sam.

Tennessee again first in final poll of football coaches.

### REMEDY

Beta - diethylomino - ethyl - axanthene-9-carboxylate methobromide is a drug for ulcers. Remember that.

Vandenberg says radar air defense system is nearly ready.

Dwight Eisenhower's name is to go on the New Hampshire presidential-primary ballot in March as a Republican.

## Hospital Staff And Employees Have Yule Party

An enjoyable Christmas party was given the Neblett Hospital staff and employees Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The organizational affair was held in the basement where there was plenty of room for everyone and at the same time create no disturbance for the patients.

The nurses on duty took seven minute turns attending patients and then were relieved for seven minutes to enjoy the party. In this manner the entire staff enjoyed the proceedings and no duty was neglected.

Each of the employees received a \$25.00 savings bond as a Christmas card. They also exchanged gifts and in the exchange Harold Wetzel got a toupee, and it was pointed out that he needed it.

Dr. Neblett opened a package that had a pipe in it and gave a cry of joy. He had broken his other one earlier in the day.

Among the gifts Dr. Charles Nester received was a box of matches. It seems that he has trouble keeping them so someone fixed him up with an entire box of kitchen matches.

Dr. Boswell opened a small box and found that it contained a rubber dolly.

The total number present at the party during the afternoon was about 35. Other than the staff and employees of the hospital such firms as The Canyon News and Thompson Hardware were represented.

Refreshments consisted of coffee or coca cola, mixed nuts and a choice of several kinds of cake.

### CONSERVATION

A speaker was lecturing on forest reserve. "I don't suppose," said he, "that there's a person in the house who has done a single thing to conserve our timber resources."

Silence ruled for several seconds, and then a meek voice from the rear of the hall timidly retorted, "I once shot a woodpecker."

John Snyder, Secretary of the Treasury, is not well and is continuing to have trouble with his eyes. The Treasury is also disturbed over activities of some of his subordinates in the Department he has headed for five years.

Happy is the man whom God correcteth; therefore despise not thou the chastening of the Almighty. — Job 4:17

Dispersal of factories is called a vital need in wartime.

HOLIDAY Greetings

Joy... love... peace... these are the words that guide us in our celebration of the Christmas and New Year Season. Our wish — that we all keep Christmas with us in spirit, the whole year through. A Happy Holiday to you all!

BUFFALO MOTEL

HOLIDAY Greetings

We wish we could send a special Holiday Greeting to each friend we've made this year. Instead, we take this means to wish you all a Happy Holiday and Fruitful New Year.

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I. CLYDE DAVIS, Distributor



## Christmas OPEN HOUSE

The practice of holding "open house" has been a Christmas tradition through the years.

The Saxon lords threw open the doors of their great halls to peasant and noble alike during the festive season and all enjoyed great feasting, songs and the exchange of gifts. A tremendous Yule log was dragged upon an open fire pit and festivities lasted until the embers alone remained.

The same custom was followed in the pre-Civil War South. The slaves often soaked a log in the cypress swamps long before Christmas so that it would burn slowly, and extend their Christmas freedom.

"Open House" during the Yuletide season is a true mark of democracy and a realization that he who was born on Christmas day came to save all men.

## Cowboy's Party Is Real American Fete

One of the most typical of our American holiday celebrations is the Cowboy's Christmas Ball, which has been held almost every year since 1884 in the small town of Anson, Texas.

The celebration started as a wedding party in the old Star Hotel when ranchers poured in from the widely scattered ranges to honor one Cross P. Charley and his bride. It was such a success that it was repeated year after year.

Christmas Eve brought the spirit of the old West to Anson. Cowboys donned their colorful dress, their gay shirts and decorated boots. Cowgirls outfitted themselves in gingham dresses "like mother wore". A cowboy band swung out and the dancers perform the heel and toe polka, the Varsouvienne, and other old folk dances.

## Origin of Symbolic Tree Shrouded in Old Legends

The origin of the Christmas tree symbol is shrouded in legends that reach back to the period of Druid tree worship long before the advent of Christianity. Credit for tree decoration and gift-giving, however, is generally given to Germany, where the customs were started in the 16th or 17th centuries. Over a period of years the practice spread into northern Europe and from there to America.

Outdoor tree decorating is essentially an American trademark and a special feature of community spirit. The best known outside displays in America are on the White House lawn and at the Rockefeller Plaza in New York City.

Some of those who press their divorce suits ought to take them first to the cleaner.

# OLYMPIC

"Season's Greetings To All"

TUESDAY - WEDNESDAY  
CHRISTMAS SPECIAL



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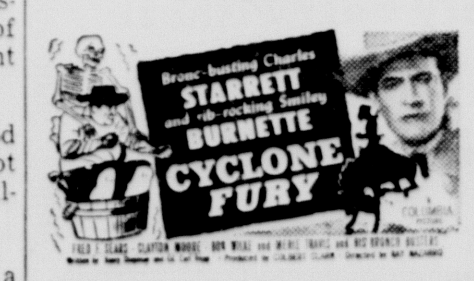
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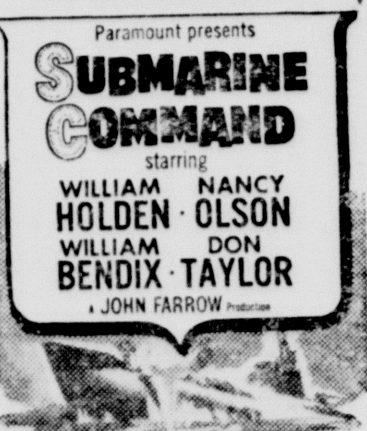
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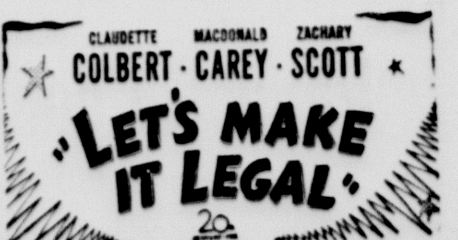
## 'SPECIAL New Year's Eve Midnight Show

11:00 P. M.



Make up a party and see the Old Year Out and the New Year In!

NEXT TUES. — WED.





Merry Christmas



Have yourselves a wonderful holiday



J. J. WALKER

Prescription Laboratory

## Chamber of Commerce Elects New Officers; Jarnagin Is New President

Clark Jarnagin is the 1952 Canyon Chamber of Commerce president. Jarnagin is a graduate of Hardin-Simmons University. He coached football at Hardin-Simmons, in high school at Denison, Texas, at Baylor University and also the Navy Air Corps Preflight team at Chapel Hill, North Carolina. Mr. Jarnagin also coached football at West Texas State College and was later manager of the West Texas State College bookstore.

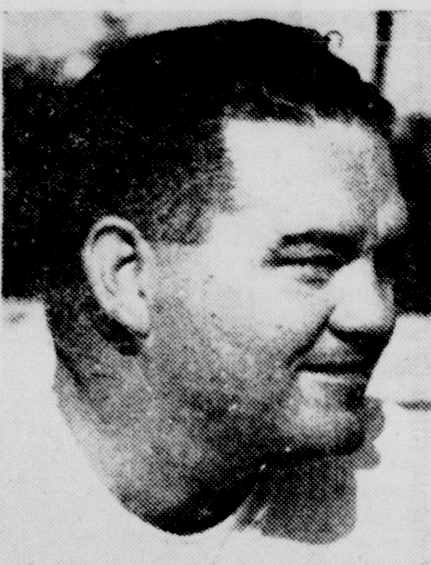
More recently Jarnagin has become a dairyman and truck route operator. He served as a Chamber of Commerce director throughout 1951 and succeeds W. W. Sternberg as president.

The newly elected Chamber of Commerce president is also active in many local civic organizations. He is a member of the Lions Club, the Baptist Church, the Randall County Dairyman's Association and he is president of the Panhandle Coaches and Officials' Association.

Cliff Mlinar was elected Vice-President. Mr. Mlinar is a graduate of the University of Nebraska and is the manager of Southwestern Public Service Company.

Mlinar served five years with the Army. Three of those five years were spent overseas with the famed 3rd Infantry division.

In local circles Mlinar is active



CLARK JARNAGIN

as a trustee in the Presbyterian church and also teaches an adult Sunday School class. He is the Secretary of the local Rotary Club and was elected First Quarterback of the Quarterback Club this year.

E. M. Myers was elected Secretary-Treasurer of the Chamber of Commerce. New directors are Emmitt Smith, Charles Donnell and Clarence Eugene Thompson. Directors who served in 1951 and are hold overs for 1952 are: E. E. Davis, Dr. Charles Nester and Bob Bellah.

The above officers and directors will lead the Chamber of Commerce through the many activities planned for the coming year.

### COTTON

The Government trimmed another three per cent off its estimate of this year's cotton crop, indicating production barely large enough to meet conservative forecasts of domestic and export demands until a new crop is produced. Under its final report, the Agriculture Department put the crop at 15,290,000 bales of 500 pounds gross weight, or 481,000 less than its estimate of a month before. This estimate is 12 per cent below the Department's initial forecast in August of 17,266,000 bales.

### FEDERAL PAY

The average salary of the 1,004,624 full-time Government workers is \$3,954 a year, according to a report of the Civil Service Commission. This figure includes a \$358 pay increase granted by Congress to all Federal employees on July 8.

### PUNISHED

Indians are going to get some of their farm land back — and let that be a lesson to them.

### IT WON'T

A stylist says one should dress to suit his purse. But the law will not allow a lot of us to do that.

## Varied Program Heard by Lions Club Wednesday

At last Wednesday's luncheon the Lions heard Fred Jennings explain the procedure to follow to have cars inspected at the official inspection station, the Randall Motor Company. Requirements for trucks and cars both were explained. It was also pointed out that the examiner is under no responsibility after the vehicle has passed the inspection.

In the event that a correction must be made on the vehicle, the owner has seven days in which to make this correction without paying an additional inspection charge. The price of the inspection is \$1.00. Twenty-five cents of this goes to the state and 75 cents goes to the examiner.

The Club enjoyed a delightful Christmas dinner of chicken and heard a wonderful program. Cecil Massey introduced Miss Virginia Bailey, director of music at the West Texas Junior High School and the girls choir. While pianist Diane Pritchard played, the girls sang such numbers as "Joy to the World," and "Angels We Have Heard On High."

Wanda Rogers, Jackie Matsler, Peggy Humphreys, Nancy Fay Root, Marcus Robinson, and Ann McKinney sang "Away in the Manger." Some of the other selections were, "Come, All Ye Faithful" and "Silent Night."

The choir provided a soft background of music while soloist Kathleen Truax sang the verse. The men of the club joined in the chorus for "Silent Night." The girls also sang "Winter Wonderland" and "White Christmas." As they left they sang a Christmas greeting to the Lions.

The Lions also boosted their convention fund by auctioning off three turkeys. The auction was the same as last week with bidding moving up 25 cents per bid and the one whose bid was in as the alarm clock went off got the turkey. Wednesday's three turkeys were taken home by Wendell Cain, Bill Sternberg and E. E. Davis.

Members of the Lions Club voted to entertain the volunteer fire department in order to show their appreciation of the work done by this organization. It was also voted that the club would hold a regular meeting in Amarillo the second Wednesday in January as guests of Wes Izzard.

The Lions entertained six guests. They were Bob Anderson of Washburn, C. O. Williams of the Amarillo Rotary Club, Gort Rushmer, the Rev. Father J. Arnold Carlson, Leroy Wooten and Dennis Ford of Canyon.

The Lions will have their regular luncheon Wednesday, the 26th of December. A committee is working out the details for the luncheon on January 9 when the club goes to Amarillo as guests of Wes Izzard instead of remaining in Canyon for the regular luncheon meeting.

For all kinds of Christmas flowers, See Stevens Floral 12

## Truman Greet Boy Scouts at Christmas Time

President Truman, who is also Honorary President of the Boy Scouts of America, recently extended Christmas greetings to the 2,800,000 Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Explorers of the United States and their leaders.

The President said that, "in 1952 the motto 'Be Prepared' will take on new significance for the days ahead will call for faith, for strength of character and a firm resolve to do all that can possibly be done to make peace and good will a reality among the Nations of the World."

The President went on to say that, "an eventful year is ending and a new year is about to begin. To all Boy Scouts I send the age-old greeting - a Merry Christmas and a Happy and a Hopeful New Year. In the year to come the Boy Scouts of America will, I am sure, continue to contribute to the nation its outstanding programs of constructive Americanism." Then he went on to explain that the days ahead would call for faith, strength of character and the firm resolve to do everything possible to secure peace.

He finished the address by hitting on a note of courage. It was a sort of summing up of the tasks ahead. His final eight words packed terrific responsibility. They were, "go forward - we have the world to serve."

## Party and Film Prepare Students For the Holidays

The Christmas holidays did not get underway at Canyon's Public Schools until Friday afternoon. However, Friday saw business of the pupils and teachers combined with pleasure for a large number of the people in the elementary grades.

Students had a Christmas party at the school. Then, as a part of their class work and also an occasion that provided some recreation, many students and teachers came down to the Olympic Theatre and saw a film. It was the classic film "Black Beauty," and it was accompanied by a cartoon comedy.

More than half-a-dozen classes and their teachers saw the show. The classic film plus the cartoon comedy lasted almost two hours. It was reported as one of the finest ways that teachers could find to help the students get into the spirit of the holidays while finishing off last minute school work.

### WELL

"Cheer up," said the doctor, "I've had exactly the same complaint myself."

"Yes," replied the patient doubtfully, "but you didn't have the same doctor."

U. S. to send gambler filings to police, war on nonfilers.

## Merry Christmas



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Christmas

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the season be in  
all your hearts

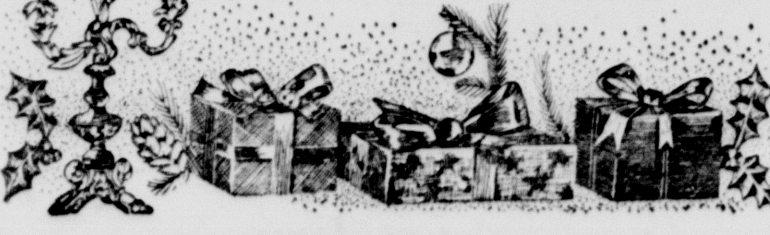


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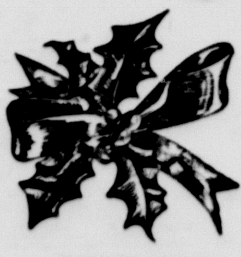
## Silent Night...Holy Night



MERRY CHRISTMAS



MAY YOU ALL ENJOY THE BLESSINGS OF THIS SEASON OF DEEP JOY



1951

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Will Close Friday Night, December 21st  
and Open January 3rd.

HALL'S RESTAURANT



## Merry Christmas



We wish you the  
old-fashioned  
holiday happiness  
with a new and  
vigorous spirit

K & B TRUCK LINE

### "Greetings by Mail"

Originated in 1846,

Now a Modern Custom

Look at the paintings on the Christmas cards you send and receive—you'll find famous names and some of the best contemporary art. Here is how it all began.

On a December day in 1846, a middleclass Englishman, Henry Cole, sat at the library desk of his London home addressing to his friends what were probably the first Christmas cards ever printed. The cards depicted a Victorian family assembled at the festive board and the traditional Christmas customs of giving to the poor. They also bore the now-classic greeting: "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you."

Cole, in a historic move, two months before had commissioned John Calcott Horsley, a Royal



Academy artist, to paint the illustration for the card and had struck off a thousand lithographed copies. He dispatched them that December. This was such a markedly successful stroke of good will that plain Henry Cole subsequently became Sir Henry Cole.

Horsley's art was a far cry from today's Christmas card paintings, but he started a cycle which a hundred years later was to bring fine art into high favor on Christmas cards.

An American shopping for cards may select, for instance, a painting called "Snow Under the Arch" by another Royal Academy member—Winston Churchill, Britain's wartime prime minister and famed amateur artist. Or he might choose Peter Hurd's "One Night in Winter" or "Grandma" Moses' "The White Church" or "The Nativity" by Alexander Ross.

### Mistletoe Outlived Sinister Meaning

Mistletoe, once used as a weapon of death, is now almost a universal symbol of love and peace.

According to Norse mythology, there was a god named Balder, who personified the sun. Loki, another god, plotted to destroy Balder.

Balder's mother, when she first learned of Loki's intentions to kill her son, obtained a promise from all living things that they would not harm Balder. All agreed, but the mistletoe, so it was with a mistletoe arrow that Loki induced Balder's blind brother, Hoder, to kill the sun god.

Higher powers intervened, however, and Balder was restored to life. The mistletoe was placed under Frigga's care, and the mother of Balda saw that it was never again used to do harm.

The custom of giving a kiss of love or peace beneath the mistletoe is an assurance that it will never again be used as an instrument of evil.

### Origin of Gift-Giving Told in Many Versions

There are many interesting versions as to how the custom of gift giving at Christmas time started.

Some believe that it all came from ancient England, where it was once custom to hang kissing rings in the great halls. These rings were decorated with mistletoe and were the key for a pleasant holiday pastime. It is said that the young knights and ladies would come to the kissing rings with Christmas roses for their secret sweetheart.

This started it all. Now gift giving is traditional.



DEVOTION . . . Christmas is not so much a time of receiving as it is a time for giving. These children, in their prayers, are giving by far the best gift of them all—theirself.

Age best determinant for retirement, G. E. official says

### NOBODY'S PERFECT

The male half of a new dance team was pleading with a producer.

"You never saw anything so sensational," he raved. "To finish our act, I take my partner by the hair and whirl her round for exactly 20 spins. Then I wind up by heaving her through an open window."

The producer paled. "Heave her through an open window!" he exclaimed, incredulously. "Do you do that at every performance?"

The young man shrugged. "Nobody's perfect," he admitted. "Sometimes I miss."

### NOW HE KNOWS

For several minutes the young man did not speak. His heart was too full. It was enough for him to know that this glorious creature loved him; that she had promised to be his wife.

His good fortune seemed incredible. Finally he whispered, tenderly: "How did it happen, darling, that such a bright, shining angel as yourself fell in love with a dull, stupid fellow like me?"

"Goodness knows," the girl murmured, absently, "I must have a screw loose somewhere."

### DARK MYSTERY

Workmen were cleaning the front of a building with hose pipe and brushes. "What are they doing?" asked a small boy. "They're washing it!" said his father.

"Why?" "Well, why do you wash your face?"

It was all too mysterious. The youngster gave up. "I don't know," he replied.

### UP TO LAST MAN

A large Paris hotel requires that after midnight all guests give their names to the doorkeeper. One night a Spanish nobleman entered and announced proudly: "Señor de Gonzales de Veraqua y Miraflore y Martinez y . . ."

"Okay," grumbled the doorkeeper, "let the last one in close the door."

For all kinds of Christmas flowers, See Stevens Floral t2

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# Christmas Greetings

Let our community rejoice  
with deep reverence on this  
most blessed of days

1951

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Old Timer's hint to any young service man: Grass widows are not necessarily green.

# Merry Christmas



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## That REINDEER

**FAIRY TALES** and Christmas stories are a Yuletide tradition. It is thus fitting that the story which promises to be America's most popular and long-lived fairy tale is related to the Christmas season.

Once upon a time there was a reindeer with a built-in flashlight bulb for a nose. You know, Rudolph, the red-nosed reindeer. From a small beginning in 1938, the little animal with the built-in beacon has become as familiar as Humpty-Dumpty and Cinderella to youngsters everywhere.

First invented as a sales giveaway promotion for Montgomery Ward by Robert L. May, Rudolph was featured in many free booklets before he became associated with Christmas. Songwriter Johnny Marks liked the title "Rudolph, the Red Nosed Reindeer", so he wrote a song about it. He was so sure he had a success that he started his own Publishing Company, using "Rudolph" as his first release. Gene Autry made the initial recording, and that one record sold 2,000,000 copies.

Last year, there were 16 different recordings of the song for sale, ranging from boogie-woogie by Sugar Chille Robinson to Bing Crosby, and cowboy singers.



... A HERALD OF THE KING ...

## Tree Decoration Has Ancient Source In Arabian Legend

When you fasten the ornaments to your Christmas tree this year you will be commemorating a centuries-old Arabian legend that relates how plants blossomed and flowered and trees miraculously bore ripened fruit on the eve of the first Christmas.

In fact, the Christmas tree itself stems from the story of a Scandinavian "sacred" tree and Martin Luther, a German, is said to have brought the first one indoors and decorated it for the Yule season in the early 16th century.

These are only two of more than a score of legends from which today's Christmas symbols and customs stem. According to Jeannette Lee, who has probed their origin for nearly a dozen years, the American Christmas symbols—from candles and bells to kissing under the mistletoe—have no common nationality. They have come from all parts of the world.

Mrs. Lee, who is supervisor of creative art for a greeting card company, constantly utilizes the traditions and emblems of the festival as ornaments for Christmas cards and is just as constantly searching for new ones. This year for example, the bright-colored tree ornaments are in high vogue as decorative devices on Christmas cards.

## Christmas Helps World's Economy

Many people, with the total exception of children, have come to believe that Christmas has become too commercial. In a spiritual sense this is true to some extent.

Economically, however, no other holiday or festive season contributes so much to the welfare of the world. Christmas has hardly passed into the new year before thousands are at work on toys and myriads of other Christmas specialties for the next holiday. Each year, as the lights of Christmas trees twinkle on a wintry night, how many of us think of the millions who have gained employment through the Christmas shopping industry?

And yet, "too commercial" may be an overstatement. Is it too wrong, once a year, to make the dominate theme one of giving, rather than of receiving? Christmas, and the spirit of Christmas, has endured wars and great chaos through centuries as a time of joyousness and happiness, and giving has always been an important part of the festivities.

The picture of the family united, with presents opened, and children wrapped in the joyousness of childhood's greatest emotion is still, and will remain, the Christmas story.

Bureau of Labor Statistics puts steel pay at \$1.79 hourly.

## Soil Tests Show Elements Needed To Improve Land

During the past few weeks the County Agent has received between 35 and 40 reports on the soil tests which were sent to College Station earlier in the year. It was also announced that now is a good time to send in soil to be tested in order to know what the best crops will be for next spring's planting.

Two or three weeks are required for the test. Each test requires at least one pint of soil. Samples should be taken from the top six inches in various localities from the farm. The tests are made for \$1.00 per sample at the "Soil Testing Laboratory" of College Station. Forms that are required to accompany the soil to be tested are obtainable at the office of the County Agent.

County Agent John Brazil reported that soil in this vicinity was fairly good because it is still comparatively new. The laboratory tests are run for organic matter, nitrogen, phosphorus, potash and soluble salts. Most of the tests that have been run show a medium to low content of organic matter, nitrogen, and phosphorus. As a general rule the soil tests show high to excessive in lime; very low in soluble salts, and high in potash.

Some of the suggestions that the testing laboratory make include such practices as planting a legume crop to be turned under. This helps provide an increase in the organic matter in the soil. It is especially important to use nitrogen and phosphorus fertilizer for small grain crops such as sorghum and corn.

Stuart Symington, Reconstruction Finance Corporation Administrator, is not particularly happy in his job as head of this loan agency, and it would not be a surprise if he steps out soon. Symington, who has held top jobs as Secretary of the Air Force and as Chairman of the National Security Resources Board when that agency headed defense mobilization, was sent to RFC as a trouble shooter.

The White House is being told by its leaders in Congress that the coming session will be one roughhouse from end to the other, with little legislation enacted. Tax increases, in particular, are listed as forbidden.

## WEST SIDE H. D. CLUB HAS ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

Mrs. E. L. Zachry entertained the West Side Home Demonstration Club with a Christmas party at her home on Wednesday, Dec. 12.

The group enjoyed playing various games and singing Christmas carols. Members exchanged gifts and also presented a friendship quilt to Mrs. C. R. Hancock who has moved from Canyon.

Refreshments were served to visitors, Mrs. Maggie Burrus and Mrs. Jonnie Mann, and the following members: Mesdames Dick Barrett, E. W. Bourn, J. W. Bourn, B. A. Burrus, H. W. Burrus, R. A. Burrus, J. B. Hager, Lewis Harney, C. R. Hancock, W. R. Meadows, Ray Metcalf, R. C. Nicholl, Lewis Tuck, E. N. Zachry, Mrs. J. J. Wright, Ruby Zachry, and the hostess.

The next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. E. N. Zachry on Wednesday afternoon, January 12, at 2:30 o'clock.

Backers of Gen. Dwight Eisenhower feel that the General's chances for a Republican presidential nomination are improved by the scandal atmosphere in Washington. Their idea is that the country, in 1952, may be in the mood to demand someone other than an old-line politician for President.

## TAX DELINQUENCIES

Delinquent taxes, amounting to \$632,363.00, are outstanding, according to the Internal Revenue Bureau. This amount includes \$96,000.00 in payroll taxes deducted from workers' paychecks by employers but not turned over to the Government. Income taxes accounted for \$505,000.00 of the delinquency. As of October 31, 907,200 delinquent taxpayers were involved.

Dean Acheson, Secretary of State, is to have a free hand in naming men to key State Department positions that soon will be vacant as several Acheson aides move to diplomatic posts or leave the Department. Mr. Acheson will stay on in his job through the 1952 campaign if President Truman has his way.

## STOCKHOLDERS MEETING

Notice is hereby given to the stockholders of the First National Bank in Canyon that the annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank will be held at its offices on the second Tuesday of January, 1952, the same being the 8th day of January, 1952, at 3:00 p. m. for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year and considering other business which may come before the stockholders.

W. C. BLACK, President.

# BOOKS

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HAPPY NEW YEAR

CUNNINGHAM MAYTAG

## LUCKY

Rufus: Did you hear about the man who was murdered last night for his money?

Goofus: Yes. Wasn't it lucky that he didn't have a cent on him at the time?

The nation's steel industry surpassed all previous records with the pouring of its 100,000,000th ton on December 13. Never before has that amount of steel been poured out during even a full calendar year.

## BEST CHRISTMAS WISHES



Our train of thought carries a cargo of hopes for your holiday happiness

ROBERTS WELDING SHOP



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TIME FOR PRESENTS . . . Billy and David are all worked up over the thought of Christmas, and they're tagging their stockings to make sure Santa doesn't get their presents mixed up. They also have found that it's a good idea to thank him in advance.



## MINCE PIE

OF ALL THE holiday delicacies, none carries more of the old-time traditions and associations of good eating and festivity than mince pie.

Many writers give credit for its origination to Germany, while others claim that its beginning is lost in the annals of history.

English literature dating to the 15th century is full of references to this Christmas favorite, an essential part of Yuletide celebrations in England.

Old superstitions held that any person refusing to eat mince pie would be unlucky for the coming year. Should he accept the invitation, and partake of mince pie, he would have the same number of happy months during the year as the number of houses at which he ate mince pie.

The oriental character of the spices and flavoring was said to represent the rich gifts of the wise men to the Christ Child.

## HELPING SANTA

## When Buying Toys for Children

If you wish your child to get the most available from this year's toys, be sure to look for the five major qualities recommended by specialists.

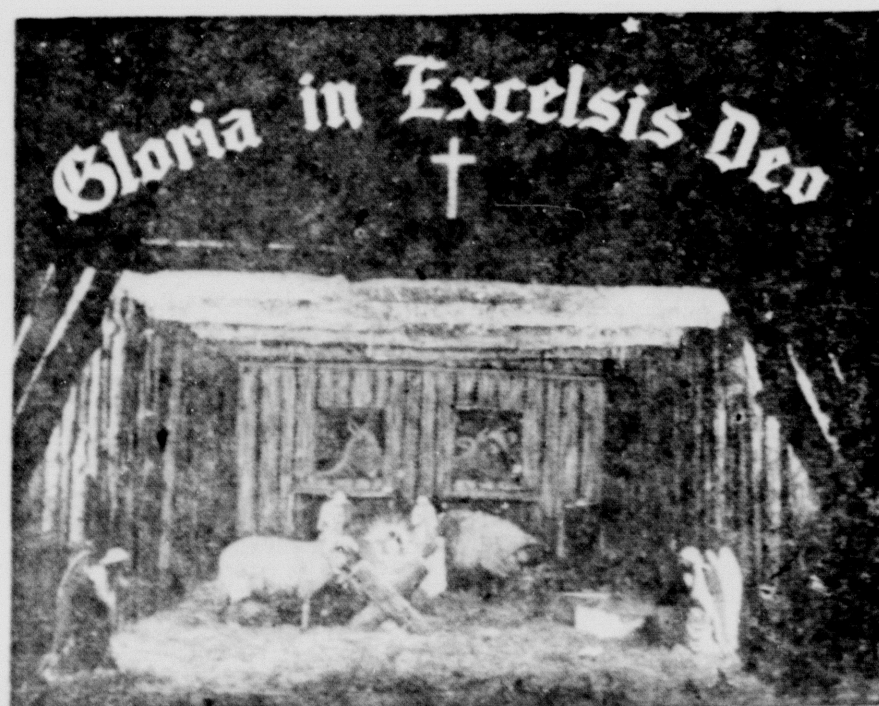
Toys to be thoroughly satisfying for the small fry should have five major qualities, say specialists at the college of home economics, Cornell.

First, toys should be durable to withstand the rough and tumble of any one child and his playmates. Sturdy toys can be repaired and repainted and passed on for the enjoyment of other youngsters, in or out of the family.

Toys should be simple and easy to handle and operate. Simple playthings are more likely to hold interest through long child-hours and less likely to be shelved permanently.

Toys should be safe to use—without sharp corners or rough places or poor paint that might be harmful to a youngster. And toys should be washable.

Finally, toys should have what the specialists call a "do-with" quality. Good old stand-bys such as wagons, blocks, clay, sand, finger paints, and the like may fit into the child's interest of the moment.



THE STABLE AT BETHLEHEM . . . The Babe in the manger, surrounded by the gentle animals, is a vision we can see more clearly with our hearts than with our eyes. And seeing it, we may truly say, "Glory to God in the highest."

## Basilica of the Nativity One of Oldest Churches

The Basilica of the Nativity at Bethlehem is one of the oldest churches in Christendom, having been built 1,620 years ago.

As it stands today it represents the original building as erected by the Emperor Constantine and restorations and additions made under Justinian.

It is surrounded by three convents of separate faiths, Greek, Latin and Armenian. All three have the privilege of worshipping in the Grotto of the Nativity, and surprisingly enough, all three celebrate Christmas on separate occasions.

## Tradition Says Tree Originated in Egypt

The Christmas tree, now almost a universal symbol, probably came to America from Germany, although tradition has it that Christmas trees originated in Egypt. The palm tree is supposed to put forth a branch every month, and a spray of this tree, with 12 shoots on it, was used in Egypt.

German writers mention the tree as early as 1605. The German prince Albert, consort of Queen Victoria, introduced the Christmas tree in England when he had a tree for his daughter.



A heartfelt

"Merry Christmas"

to all of you,

good friends



## STERNENBERG LUMBER COMPANY

Will be closed December 25 - 26, Tuesday and Wednesday.

## TROOP 10 GIRL SCOUTS HAVE CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Girl Scouts of Troop 10 had a Christmas party on Wednesday, December 19, at the Scout Hut.

The Candle Light meeting was followed by a supper which the scout mothers had prepared. After a hearty meal of sandwiches, holiday cookies, and hot drinks, the group sang Christmas carols around the gaily decorated table.

The group went caroling and visited shut-ins carrying gifts of fruit and food.

Those present were Mrs. E. L. Hardaway, Mrs. E. M. Turner, Mrs. Dennis Wilkins, Mrs. O. L. Coleman, Mrs. R. J. Barker, Mrs. Hatcher Brown, Mrs. W. M. Higdon, Mrs. Max Stallings, Joyce Barker, Roberta Briggs, Barbara Brown, Emma Liston Coleman, Shirley

Holama, Patricia Hardaway, Louise Higdon, Leatha Sheets, Nina Stallings, Carroll Lynn Turner, and Connie Wilkins.

## CHRISTMAS TREES

Fire departments all over the nation are issuing warnings to householders about the safe handling of Christmas trees and inflammable decorations. Precautions include the use of only freshly-cut trees, properly wired electric lights, instead of real candles and setting the tree in a pan or bucket, continually filled with water.

## TOPSHAM'S PROBLEM

Topsham Parish Council is trying to trace the owners of a hole in the middle of the road in the village.

## DUCE CLUB HAS MEETING IN ROBERT BELLAH HOME

The Duce Club met in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bellah on Thursday evening, December 13.

After an evening of bridge, chicken salad and a dessert course were served.

High prize was won by Jack Taylor. Low prize was awarded Stuart Condron and Mrs. Arthur C. Haley, Jr. claimed the traveling prize.

Members and guests present were Mr. and Mrs. Roger Haberer, Dr. and Mrs. C. R. Nester, Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Condron, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sternberg, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Massey, Mr. and Mrs. Clark Jarnagin, Mr. and Mrs. M. Warren, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Wooten, and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur C. Haley, Jr.



May the most prosperous of all New Years be awaiting you.



We add our thanks to all of you for your support and encouragement in the past.

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Our best wishes  
go out heartily to  
all our good friends

**McDONALD  
SHOP**

**AVIATION CADETS**

The Air Force has announced a reduction of the enlistment tour from four to two years for civilians accepted as aviation cadets. By providing a tour of duty comparable to that of draftees the Air Force hopes to encourage a flow of highly qualified college men into the aviation cadet program. Previously, if a cadet failed to complete his flying training, he still would be kept in the Air Force for four years.



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**JOYNER  
MOTOR CO.**



**FOR THEM  
THERE HAD  
BEEN NO  
ROOM**

To the casual observer, it is just another typical night in Bethlehem, sleepy town of many generations. Excepting, of course, that the population is more than double, for all the descendants of David have come to register as ordered by Herod. For many, there is no room.

And yet, there is more about this night! And there are some whose faith and wisdom give them eyes to see. Near the hour of midnight, a darkened sky suddenly shimmers with a light of ethereal beauty, and angels appear to sing a great psalm:

"Glory in the highest,  
And on earth, peace to men of good will."

A new star fires itself to brilliance near the edge of town, bathing in its light the stable where a Galilean carpenter named Joseph has taken refuge with his bride, a queenly young girl named Mary. For them, there had been no room.

The star rests above the humble shelter, sending down golden rays that illuminate the area in a strange, unearthly manner.

In the distance appear a group of Magi, wise men of Persia. They have followed the now resting star and are heavily laden with gifts of gold—presents for a new-born king. Along the roads hear the shouts of the citizens, led by angels, who come to adore.

There in the stable, wrapped in swaddling clothes and laid in a manger, the Christ-child awaits.

*Santa Claus is on his way  
To greet us all on Christmas Day.  
Dolls and drums (all sorts of toys)  
For wishful little girls and boys.*



**Christmas  
Quotes**

"Christmas is the time you decide to pay your doctor something on account. You know you will need him the day after."

—Walter Pulitzer.

"What do people mean by sending you a dozen Christmas cards during the festive season, and not deigning to send you three lines by way of a letter the rest of the year?"

—J. Ashby-Sterry.

"At every Christmas party, just as things are beginning to get good, someone shuts his eyes, puts his head back and moans softly: 'Ah, well, this isn't like the good old days. We don't seem to have any good old-fashioned Christmases any more.'"

—Robert Benchley.

**Christmas: 'Good Time;  
A Kind, Forgiving Time'**

Charles Dickens once referred to Christmas as "a good time; a kind, forgiving, charitable, pleasant time." This is an adequate description of the Christmas spirit. Why not make this an old-fashioned Christmas?

Elaborately planned parties, those great time-takers, should not be a part of the Christmas scene. A homey, hospitable get-together will create an atmosphere in which everyone can relax.

Since Christmas is really "the children's hour", why not give them a greater part in preparing for the day? Children will get more delight from helping prepare and decorate the tree than in seeing only the finished product.

**Small Amount of Plant Food  
Will Keep Needles on Tree**

If you have the type of a tree-holder that permits the tree trunk to rest in water, you will find that a small amount of plant food dissolved in the water will aid in retaining the needles on the tree, and keep the needles green. If you use a pebble or rock-filled pail to support the tree, cover the pebbles or rock with a plant food solution.

Use one teaspoonful of plant food, powdered form, to each gallon of water in the container, or use one plant food tablet to each gallon.

**United States Top  
Buyer and Supplier  
In Tree Industry**

The United States is the world's leading source of supply as well as the top buyer in the Christmas tree industry—a better than \$50,000,000 business.

The majority of our Christmas trees come from New England, New York and Pennsylvania, the north, Midwest, and the Northwest Pacific regions. In recent years, New Jersey has annually marketed around 100,000 trees for local use.

Most of the trees for Christmas sales are cut early in the fall and the trees are kept green with plenty of water until shipped to distribution centers.

Some mass producers, however, cut trees early in the new year, and treat them with preservatives and coloring solutions for storage in chilled warehouses.

**'Snapdragon' Popular**

A game called "snapdragon" was very popular at Christmas time in England more than 200 years ago. To a limited extent it is still played in some parts of England, as well as in America.

The original game called for a quantity of raisins to be deposited in a large bowl or dish. Brandy or some other spirit was then poured over the fruit and ignited. At a given signal, the participants attempt to snatch a raisin from the blazing bowl.



**SECRETS . . .** This little girl wants something for Christmas, but she's not telling anyone except Santa Claus, who is like he understands the problem.



**EVERY AVERAGE American home will have a Christmas tree this year. Traditional and symbolic as the trees are, they present a great fire hazard, and should be carefully watched.**

Remember that when you bring a tree into the house it is going to dry up. A freshly-cut tree will not take fire any easier than the evergreen trees growing outside, but the hazard increases by the hour. For this reason, it is not wise to put up the tree too early before Christmas day or to leave it too long after the 25th. Trees of all kind will become highly inflammable at the end of a week.

Families, clubs, churches or organizations that wish to keep their trees up longer than a week should take special safeguards to keep it reasonably safe.

The tree can be kept fresh by setting it up in a pan of water. Cut off the base of the tree at an angle at least one inch above the original cut and keep it standing in water during the entire period it remains in the house. It may be necessary to add water from time to time to keep the water level above the cut.

Place the tree well away from stoves, radiators, and other sources of heat. When you smoke, stay away from the tree. Also be sure that the tree is secured in such a way that it cannot fall. Do not put it near a doorway where it might block an avenue of escape, should a fire occur.

**Interesting Job?  
Santa's Beats All  
At This Season**

**WHO HAS ONE** of the most interesting jobs this time of year? That's easy. It's Santa.

The rotund gentleman hiding behind the red ensemble and the flowing white beard learns a great deal about the nature of humans, especially children, at this time of year.

However, after receiving thousands of letters from all over the



country, and talking to thousands of youngsters on street corners and in department stores, Santa usually comes to the same conclusion each year. Times and customs change, but children seldom do.

Requests that Santa receives follow a general pattern each year—everything from bicycles to roller skates and cowboy suits for boys, with dolls and elaborate accessories the favorite with the girls.

There are some exceptions. Lots of children make requests for useful items, typewriters and such, in the hope of becoming writers and stenographers. Last year one lad asked for a Bengal tiger.

Santa, understanding human that he must be, promises to fill all the requests that he can and explains tenderly why there are some that are out of reach.

**St. Nicholas Possessed  
Of Great Virtue, Piety**

Saint Nicholas, Bishop of Myra, was said to have been a saint of great virtue and piety.

An ancient legend is told that he became the patron saint of school boys when he restored to life the sons of a rich Asiatic, who had been murdered by a robber-unknower while they were enroute to school in Athens. It is said that he was warned of the crime in a vision, but was unable to reach the town in time to prevent the murders. He restored the boys to life through prayers and also forced the murderer to confess his crime to authorities.



**CHRISTMAS CANDLE . . .** The soft, steady glow of a lighted candle is one of the treasures of Christmas which no one would want to lose. Another treasure is the happy child.

**The  
West Texas Gas Company Employees**



**Wish You a Merry Christmas**

**West Texas Gas Company**

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**ALL THE DETAILS**

"Have you ever appeared as a witness in a suit before?" counsel asked the girl in the witness box. "Why, of course," she replied. "Will you tell the jury what suit it was?"

The information came promptly: "It was a blue suit, with white collar and cuffs, and buttons all the way down the front."

**MUTUAL HELP**

"Dad, I've finished your income tax assessment. How are you getting on with my homework?"

**NOT TAXABLE**

"Foster parents who receive payments from licensed child-placing agencies for expenses incurred in giving home care to children need not include these sums as part of their gross income," according to the U. S. Children's Bureau.

Friends of Lamar Caudle, former Assistant Attorney General, accused of accepting favors from men in trouble over taxes, insist that Caudle is being made the "fall guy" for officials higher up and still in power.

**QUITE SAFE**

Mrs. Delight (meeting politician at party): "I've heard a great deal about you."

Politician (absently): "Possibly, but you can't prove it."

**FITS THE DESCRIPTION**

"Out at our club we go horseback riding and play croquet."

"Ah! Polo, eh?"

Man's real life is happy, chiefly because he is ever expecting that it soon will be so. — Edgar Allen Poe.



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## YES, VIRGINIA

"Yes, indeed!

"Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age—they do not believe except what they see—they think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds.



"All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little.

"In this great universe of ours, man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect as compared with the



boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

"Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus.

"He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus! It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.



It was only September, and 1897's Christmas was three months in the future. But Virginia O'Hanlon's concern was with an important problem that, to her, knew no season. That was why she wrote her letter to the New York Sun.

The answer to Virginia's question, written in a moment of deep spiritual insight by Francis B. Church, stands even today as a testament expressing two thousand years of faith. It has been reprinted here because it always will deserve to be read again.

"Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies!

"You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to



catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus—the most real things in the world are those neither children nor men can see.

"Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there—nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders that are unseen and unseeable in the world.

"You tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, or even the united strength of all the strongest men, that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside the curtain and view and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond.



"Is it all real?—ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

"No Santa Claus! Thank God!—he lives, and he lives forever—a thousand years from now, Virginia, nay, ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood."



### THIS ENGLAND

Traveler who has to cover his ground by train needs one or two large coffins to take evening dresses: must be strong and able to lock.

### THE RABBIT START

We're not sure, but we think the jet airplane was conceived by somebody watching automobiles take off when the light changes to green.

### ONE WAY

"My brother never met with a disappointment in his life."  
"How's that?"  
"He never looks for anything but trouble."

Visitor: "What was your mummy's name before she was married?"  
Young Innocence: "I think it must have been 'Savoy.' That's the name on our towels."

### A MANLY FIT TOO

Mrs. Gush: That dress is the most perfect fit I have ever seen.  
Mrs. Chagrit: Then you should have seen the one my husband had when he got the bill for it.

### APPROPRIATE

Collegiate: Father: "I've a notion to settle down and start raising chickens."  
Father: Better try owls. Their hours will suit you better.



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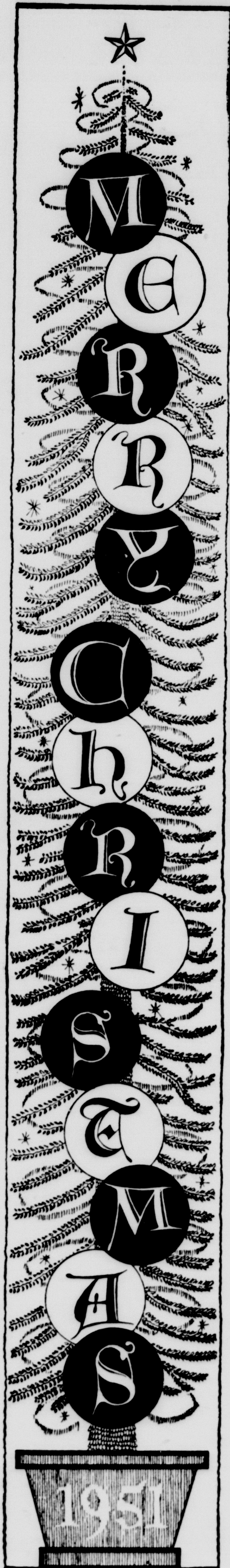
We hope the season fulfills all your wishes

1951

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# CHRISTMAS GREETINGS



## From Your County Officials

Burney Slack  
*County Judge*

M. E. Cantrell  
*Sheriff*

Bill Money  
*Tax Assessor and Collector*

T. H. Lair  
*County Clerk*

Ethel Mullins  
*District Clerk*

Mrs. Ruth Adcock Hill  
*Treasurer*

Gene McGlasson  
*County Attorney*

John Brazzil  
*County Agent*

Miss Lou Ella Patterson  
*Home Demonstration Agent*

P. H. Baber  
*Commissioner Precinct 1*

Clarence Beckman  
*Commissioner Precinct 2*

Glenn W. Dowlen  
*Commissioner Precinct 3*

Chas. Y. Johnson  
*Commissioner Precinct 4*

B. F. Machen  
*Justice of Peace Precinct 1*

Mrs. W. J. Flesher  
*Justice of Peace Precinct 4*



## CHRISTMAS



We're putting plenty  
of steam into our  
"Merry Christmas"

## "K" SERVICE STATION

INNOCENT MAN SERVES  
27 YEARS

Detroit, Mich. — Convicted of a slaying which he maintained he did not commit, Vande Hardy was sentenced to prison in 1924. His sister, Mrs. Gladys Barrett, believing

in his innocence, kept up the fight to free her brother. Her efforts resulted, finally, in uncovering new evidence. A new trial was held and the judge directed a verdict of acquittal. After 27 years in prison, Hardy stepped out, on Dec. 3, a free man.

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## THE REASON

"Three policemen have been watching Brown's house constantly the last two nights."  
"What has Brown done?"  
"Engaged a new cook."



Decorate your homes with  
love and affection in  
this, the happiest  
time of the year

## HARDEN &amp; HEATH



May nothing  
but happiness  
dog your  
footsteps this  
Christmas

## PALO DURO DRESS SHOP

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FROM THE WORLD'S CHAMPION  
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ON YOUR TEAM FOR  
THIS FEATURE DIRECT  
TO HUT and HARRY  
CARE THIS NEWSPAPER

Bad Check and  
Driving Problem  
Enter Locality

One of the things that merchants have to look out for every Christmas is the group of people who give bad checks. Last week there were two bad check charges filed with the County Attorney here.

The sheriff's department was also notified of some bad checks that were given in Hereford. It was believed that these bad check passers may have been headed for Canyon. The license number of the car they were driving was taken and the names that were signed on the checks, which authorities believe were fictitious, were sent along. As far as anyone knows, these particular men did not stop in Canyon.

Law enforcement officers pointed out that every Christmas a large number of bad checks pop up in various business places. No matter how much warning is given it seems that there is always a fellow with an honest face, a winning smile and a bad check to cheat business men out of a large portion of their profits. The sheriff's department reported that the best way to combat this kind of loss is for the business man to be sure he knows all those people from whom he takes checks.

In addition to the two bad checks, the county attorney also reported a drunk driver charge last week. In making a statement about the driving problems of the area, the spokesman for the sheriff's department said they hoped people would drive carefully.

## SAFETY FIRST

"Is Madge still looking for her ideal man?"  
"Good heavens, no! She's far too busy looking for a husband."

## CHEAPER

A firm believer in personal economy is the well-known editor. A salesman once endeavored to interest the editor in a hearing aid which sold for several hundred dollars.

"Oh, I can get along with something much cheaper than that," the editor told him. "You just wait here a minute, and I'll show you."

He disappeared into the inner recesses of his private office, and a few moments later reappeared with a tiny wire running from his vest pocket to his ear.

"This," the editor proclaimed, "can be purchased for a few cents." "That!" the salesman hooted. "How can a little scrap of wire help you to hear?"

"When people see this," he rejoined, "they'll talk louder."

## THE MAIN THING

Having only recently moved into the district she was determined to impress the neighbors. She arranged for a musical at home, and told her husband to see to the booking of a musician to entertain the guests.

"Have you engaged the pianist yet?" she asked her husband a few days before the great evening. "Yes, my dear," he replied, "a great virtuoso."

She looked annoyed. "Never mind about his morals. Can he play the piano?"

## HE ASKED FOR IT

A pompous individual stalked into the office and demanded to see the manager.

"I'm sorry, but he's not here," replied the receptionist. "Is there anything I can do?"

"No!" snapped the visitor. "I never deal with underlings. I'll wait until he returns."

"Very well, take a seat," said the girl, and went on with her work. Half an hour later, the man became impatient. "How much longer do you think he will be gone?" he demanded gruffly.

"About three weeks," answered the girl calmly. "He left for South America yesterday."

## HANDY HOBBY

Wooster, Ohio — Mrs. Robert Ebert collects lost golf balls as a hobby. Living just outside the Wooster College golf course, she finds it right handy. So far she has collected 1,449 lost balls, most of them found in the off-course rough.

## SOCIAL GRADE

Stranger: What is the standing of the Snedmore family in this town?

Native: Well, I should say they is sort of betwix and between. They ain't exactly nobody and yet they hain't really anybody.

## ROBS PETER TO PAY PAUL?

"You say he is a man of parts?" "He certainly is. Half the time he plays the part of a philanthropist, and the other half of the time a public robber."

## MAYBE SO

Many of the world's difficulties today seem to be due to too many retail minds trying to deal with wholesale problems.

## SO WHAT?

"We've been waiting a long time for that mother of mine." "Hours, I should say." "Oh, Jack, this is so sudden."

Western Europe's industrial modernization is impressive.

## GRATEFUL G. I.

Seattle, Wash. — It was seven years ago that little Josette Lanneau, then 8, invited a cold and hungry American soldier to her Luxembourg home for dinner. That soldier was James A. Kilborn, 29, now a Seattle life insurance representative. The grateful soldier remembered the Lanneau family, and, after the war, corresponded with them. Recently, they arrived in Seattle — Eugene Lanneau, 43, Mrs. Lanneau, 39, and their daughters, Victoria, 10, and Josette, now 15 — to make their home with Kilborn until Mr. Lanneau can find work.

## MUCH TO LEARN

Two Scotchmen were watching a football game; one had a bottle, the other had only a thirst. The bottle man was talking very largely about his knowledge of the game and what a fine player he was himself.

During the conversation he helped himself very liberally to the contents of his bottle, whereupon the thirsty one said: "Weel, I notice ye're a fine dribbler, but ye're nae guid at passing."

## FEBRUARY DRAFT CALL

The February draft call has been set by the Defense Department at 55,000 men. Of the total requested, 41,000 will be for the Army and 14,000 for the Marine Corps. The February call is for 4,650 less than the January call, and brings the total drafted so far up to 849,330, of which 782,000 have been for the Army and 67,330 for the Marines.

## EVIDENTLY

Rufus: I see that food faddists are going in for strange diets again.

Goofus: Yes, a lot of political candidates will soon be eating cold crow again.



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this happy season

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## GREETINGS



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Christmas  
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hope that you  
have a  
wonderful  
holiday

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## Special Church Service To Usher In the New Year

Five local ministers will cooperate in providing New Year church services on December 31. Services are scheduled to start Monday, December 31 and continue through Friday night.

"Favorite texts of the Bible" is to be the theme of this year's services. The New Year's services will start at 7:30 p. m. each evening with the host pastor presiding each night. The host choir will provide music.

The schedule is planned as follows: Monday night, December 31, at the Assembly of God Church. The Rev. T. Winston Wilbanks will be the host pastor to provide the sermon.

Tuesday night, January 1, the services will be held at the First Baptist Church. The sermon will be delivered by the Rev. T. Winston Wilbanks.

Wednesday night, January 2, the services will be at the Christian Church. The Rev. Strauss Atkinson of the First Baptist Church is to be the host pastor at this service.

Thursday, January 3, the special service will be held at the Methodist Church. The host pastor at this service will be the Rev. Win Matsler.

The final service of this special New Year group will be conducted at the Presbyterian Church. The Rev. Herschel Thurston will be the host pastor delivering the sermon at this occasion.

### MOTHER-IN-LAW CLUB HAD CHRISTMAS PARTY DEC. 13

The Mother-in-Law Club had its annual Christmas party on Thursday, December 13, in the home of Mrs. G. B. Combs.

The meeting opened by singing Christmas carols with Mrs. Mary Burtz at the piano and Mrs. Rae Walters leading the carols. Mrs. E. C. Penick led the group in prayer. Christmas cards were signed and sent to all absent members. Gifts were exchanged from a beautifully decorated Christmas tree.

Musical numbers were given by Miss Peggy Williams, soloist, accompanied by Miss Faye Marie Beck, talented students from West Texas State College.

The hostess and co-hostesses, Mrs. H. C. Gentry, Mrs. W. H. Sparks, and Mrs. J. W. Bourn served refreshments of home made cookies, nuts and spiced tea to four guests, Misses Peggy Williams and Faye Marie Beck, Mrs. J. C. Curb and Mrs. Belle Ward and to the following members:

Mesdames J. C. McDaniel, F. F. Fain, John Hiegenfeld, H. C. Gentry, E. C. Penick, M. Walters, W. H. Sparks, Mae Johnson, W. S. Myers, Fred Marshall, Mary Burtz, J. W. Bourn, P. L. Pitts, E. C. Hawes, C. W. Dunn, I. M. Steen, M. S. Frieze, J. L. Moore, J. C. Hutchinson, N. A. Croson, Addie Heffner, G. B. Bourland, W. I. Wester and the hostess.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. N. A. Croson on January 10.

### PLEASANTVIEW 4-H CLUB HAS CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Pleasantview 4-H Club had a Christmas party on Wednesday evening, December 9, in the home of Dorothy Cranmer.

After singing Christmas carols and playing games, gifts were exchanged. Fruit cake and punch were served to the following guests: Mrs. Clifford Burtz, Mrs. Helen Kuehler, Mr. and Mrs. Cranmer and Mrs. Albert Meyers.

Members served were Helen and Annette Meyers, La Donna and Maryland Keller, Jennelle Reynolds, Ann Moore, Alby Kuehler, and the hostess, Dorothy Cranmer.

## GREETINGS



The friendship we feel for you every day of the year, we've dressed up in a Holiday costume, woven of good cheer and best wishes for A Merry Christmas to send to you with this greeting.

**TOM BEARD**  
INSURANCE  
AGENCY

## Local Pastors Will Exchange Local Pulpits

Pastors of five Canyon Churches will exchange pulpits during the coming week for the annual January services.



REV. WIN R. MATSLER



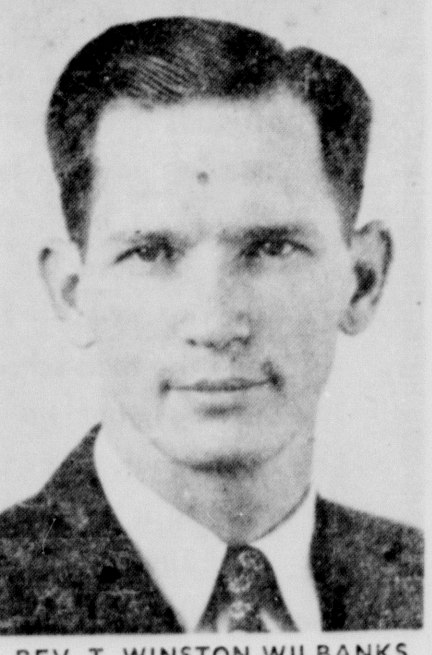
REV. STRAUSS ATKINSON



REV. W. J. PHELPS



REV. HERSCHEL THURSTON



REV. T. WINSTON WILBANKS

### Hospital News

Mrs. B. B. Slack, medical  
Mrs. Winston Evans, surgical  
George Nance, medical  
W. H. Harden, surgical

### BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Klenskens are the parents of a daughter born December 19.  
Mr. and Mrs. Billy Tate are the parents of a son born December 22.

## January Named Good Citizens Month by Shivers

AUSTIN, December 20, 1951 — An "Official Memorandum" issued today by Governor Allan Shivers, designating January 1952 as "American Citizenship Month," signalled the kick-off of a concerted state-wide drive for better citizenship involving thousands of local civic, veterans, fraternal and labor groups.

Spearheaded by the State Bar of Texas, which is furnishing speakers for local programs throughout the state, the campaign will have the cooperation of some 7500 local civic-minded organizations, bar president Cecil E. Burney announced.

Stressing the responsibilities of the individual citizen in preserving the democratic way of life, the January program is sponsored annually by the lawyers of Texas. Theme of the 1952 crusade will be "What Can I Do For Democracy?" Dallas attorney David A. Witts stated. Witts shares the chairmanship of the State Bar Committee on American Citizenship with Associate Justice Jack Pope of the San Antonio Court of Civil Appeals. Both were present to witness the signing of the official proclamation.

"Every American has cause to realize and appreciate that the great privilege of being free is possible only in a society where all share in the duties and responsibilities of citizenship," Governor Shivers said in his official statement. "The people of Texas should always be conscious of the duties as well as the privileges of being a citizen."

Among those cooperating in the 1952 "American Citizenship Month" will be local organizations of Lions International, Texas Federated Womens Clubs, Rotary International, Texas League of Women Voters, Optimist International, the American Legion and Legion Auxiliary and Veterans of Foreign Wars. Also participating will be C. I. O. and A. F. of L. locals, the various railroad brotherhoods, local G. I. Forums, Chambers of Commerce, and Junior Chambers of Commerce, chairman Pope revealed.

In addition, every college, junior college and university in the state has been asked to conduct special assembly programs. Mayors of Texas cities will issue proclamations designating one week during January as "American Citizenship Week" in their localities.

Goal of the State Bar committee, as divulged by Judge Pope, is to get every person in Texas, young and old, to make better citizenship a New Year's Resolution.

Copies of a "Bill of Responsibilities" prepared by the bar group for their 1951 program will be distributed again during the 1952 drive, together with a new pamphlet emphasizing citizenship duties. The "Bill of Responsibilities" is a counterpart of the American "Bill of Rights," and sets out ten definite obligations of the individual citizen.

## Texans Are Warned To Be on Guard Against Pneumonia

Carelessness in the treatment of respiratory disease is not only foolish but very hazardous, according to Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, who warned Texans today to be on guard against such illnesses as lead to pneumonia.

Dr. Cox pointed out that pneumonia can and does strike with little or no warning, and in many instances its forerunner is a simple cold, an attack of influenza, or some other respiratory infection.

"A cold or any other infection of the breathing passage which makes one constitutionally weak, especially if it is accompanied by fever, demands the immediate attention of the family physician. To self treat and fight on ones feet a condition of this kind is to endanger life unnecessarily. It is advisable to take all possible steps to avoid respiratory illnesses since they so frequently lead to that dangerous complication—pneumonia."

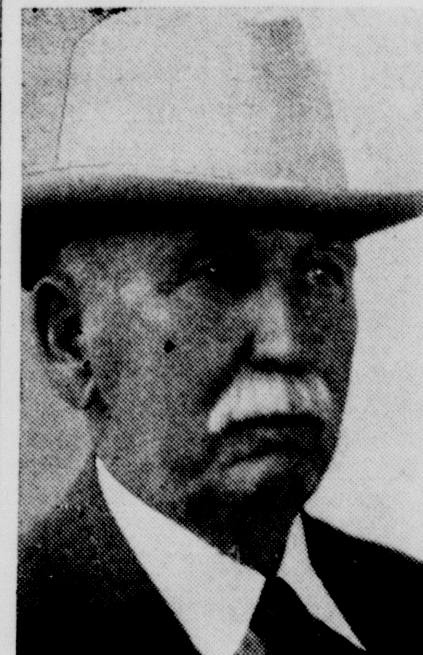
Dr. Cox stressed the fact that it is important to build up normal physical resistance by sufficient outdoor ventilation, adequate nourishing food, outdoor exercise and sufficient sleep, but added that the family physician should be called immediately if, in spite of such care, a respiratory disease develops.

"Guard against pneumonia which is a communicable disease. It may be acquired by direct or indirect contact with a pneumonia patient. Reduced bodily resistance resulting from habitual disregard for normal physical requirements makes pneumonia doubly hazardous. A physician should be consulted immediately upon the appearance of any respiratory ailment."

Dick McDonald is home for the holidays from his military training post in Florida, visiting in the parental Bryan McDonald home.

# R. E. Baird Died Saturday

Pioneer Is Dead



R. E. BAIRD

## Anniversary for Canyon Masons Observed Here

An estimated 100 members of 12 Masonic lodges participated in 60th anniversary ceremonies of Canyon City Lodge No. 730, AF&AM, in Masonic Hall here last week.

The celebration especially recognized members who have been associated with the Masonic order for 40 years or more. In point of association, the oldest member present was J. W. Kiker of Deer Creek Lodge No. 510. Mr. Kiker's membership dates from 1888. Oldest member of the Canyon City lodge was T. C. Thompson.

W. M. Silas Hart presided and introduced the guests, including Rollo V. Cartwright, Fred Lyon and several masters of visiting lodges.

### Fairview Breezes

We have had more cold weather and a little snow the past few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hext visited Sunday afternoon in the G. E. Wesley home.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Shipman and boys, Jerry and Jean, shopped in Amarillo Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Wesley and La Vena Amerson were shopping in Amarillo Tuesday.

H. H. Shipman took his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Shipman, and his daughter, Nan Earley, to Tulsa Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Wesley visited Friday with E. P. Wesley who was quite sick and threatened with pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Wesley and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rogers helped sack treats for church tree in the G. E. Wesley home Thursday evening.

F. O. Amerson was in the J. W. Wesley home Friday morning.

# 91 Year Old Pioneer Found Dead in Bed Sunday Morning

By Clyde W. Warwick

R. E. Baird is dead!

The pioneer who held the longest citizenship in Randall county peacefully passed away during Saturday night. He had laid down on his bed with his clothes on and slipped away in peaceful sleep without having aroused during the night.

As has been her custom for several years, Mrs. Avis Fleisher, niece of Mr. Baird, had gone to his home Sunday morning to prepare breakfast for the 91 year old citizen. When she entered the home, Mrs. Fleisher found her uncle fully clothed and at peace in death in his room. Physicians called estimate that he had died at 11 o'clock Saturday night.

Mr. Baird arrived in Randall county on March 29, 1883. This has been his home ever since. He has been a loyal citizen throughout the years, never missing the opportunity to cast a vote in every kind of an election.

He was never radical in his thinking. He allowed every man the right to do his own thinking, and he reserved the right to think and act for himself.

When he arrived at the old T. Anchor Headquarters, now on the College Farm north of Canyon, this was the only house in the area comprising Randall and Deaf Smith counties. The old ranch was in existence, and Mr. Baird joined the crew of 10 men who rode herd over the vast domain.

It was not until March 30, 1922, that Mr. Baird was ever publicized in a newspaper article.

Pioneer settlers said that he would not talk. He was the kind of man who kept his own council, said his neighbors.

The Canyon News was getting out its 25th Anniversary edition at that time. The question arose as to who held the oldest residence in Randall county, and all agreed that it was R. E. Baird.

"But he won't tell one thing about pioneer life," they all agreed.

The Newsman went to his home, just northwest of Canyon on Highway 60 where he lived with his sister, Miss Sallie Baird, and brother, Albert Baird. Another brother, W. C. Baird, the only one of the quartet who had married, lived just east of their home.

We found Mr. Baird sitting in his room, recovering from a cold. He had been confined to his bed for a few days, much against his will.

Instead of being the hard man to interview, that he had been pictured, we found R. E. Baird to be in hearty sympathy with our idea of getting into print a true picture of Randall county as he found it when he arrived here just 39 years previously to that time. He was enthusiastic as he talked. He was patient in recalling facts, and careful that the young newspaper man got all of the facts straight.

We talked for the greater part of half a day and when we came back to The News we wrote six columns of the story which he had related to us. Not only that, but the story was so complete that we visited Mr. Baird again in his

## Third Nov. 28 Crash Victim Died Friday

The third victim of the November 28 automobile crash a short distance north of town, died in an Amarillo hospital Friday. The third and final victim was Jack Thompson Quest of Pittsburgh, Pa.

There were only three people in the two cars that met head-on shortly after noon on November 28. Quest was alone in his car while the other car held two West Texas State College students, William E. Thomson of Progress was the driver of the other car. The only person in the car with Thompson was Jack D. Stone of Panhandle.

The tragic crash occurred on highway, 60 only a few hundred yards west of the Y of highway 87. Thomson and Stone were on their way to Big Square, a short distance west of Dimmitt, where they were planning to hold church services. Thomson, who had been named one of the youngest ordained Methodist ministers in Texas, was pastor there. Stone was active as a song leader in many of the services conducted by Thomson.

Survivors of Mr. Quest are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Quest of Pittsburgh.

Blackburn-Shaw Funeral Home took charge of the body and shipped it to Pittsburgh Friday night for final rites and burial.

### PALO DURO BOWLING LEAGUE SCORES FOR DEC. 17 AND 24

T. A. Black Dry Goods won 0; King, 300; B. Ford, 454; B. Brown, 392; W. Brown, 380; J. Ford, 302.

Canyon Drug won three games; Shero, 348; Hardaway, 474; Bremer, 349; Odom, 379; Wilson, 315.

Palo Duro Dress Shop won two games; Higgins, 276; Davis, 327; Evans, 334.

Thompson Hardware won one game; White, 399; Pond, 323; Bosley, 313; Stone, 448; and Collinsworth, 338.

Scores for December 24: Palo Duro Dress Shop won three games; Foster, 444; McGehee, 337; Higgins, 345; Davis, 287; Evans, 393.

Canyon Drug won 0; Shero, 336; Hardaway, 373; Bremer, 297; Odom, 302; Wilson, 312.

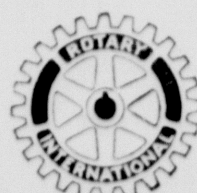
T. A. Black Dry Goods won two games; King, 353; B. Ford, 444; B. Brown, 387; W. Brown, 338; J. Ford, 345.

Thompson Hardware won one game; White, 314; Pond, 336; Bosley, 357; Stone, 407; and Collinsworth, 292.



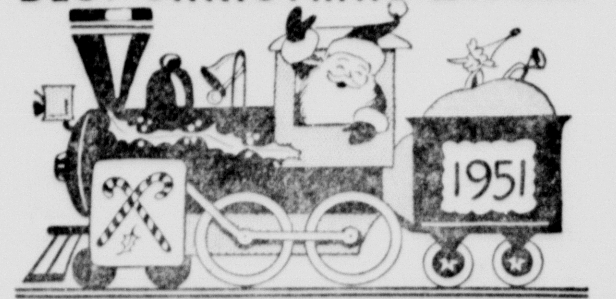
TO...

... OUR MANY FRIENDS. In thinking of all those to whom we wish a Merry Christmas we realize anew that on every day of the year, we hold the greatest gift of all—your friendship. Association with you has made our years pleasant ones—and at this holiday season, we are grateful to you for making it possible for us to wish A Merry Christmas to the finest people on earth.



**CANYON ROTARY CLUB**

## BEST CHRISTMAS WISHES



If our wish for happiness for you at Christmas time will make your Christmas merry—your Holiday Season will be filled with joy and your New Year with all the good things life has to offer—good health, success, prosperity and peace.

Merry Christmas!



**CANYON LIONS CLUB**



## Blasingame-Crow Nuptial Vows Read In Home Service Friday, December 14



MR. AND MRS. CARL GENE CROW

In an impressive ceremony at 7 o'clock in the evening, December 14, Dolores Blasingame, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Blasingame of Amarillo, became the bride of Carl G. Crow, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Crow of Canyon. Rev. Strauss Atkinson, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Canyon, read the double ring service in the home of the bridegroom's parents.

Forming the improvised altar was a large arch outlined with spruce boughs frosted with plastic Christmas snow and tied in the center with white satin ribbon and large silver wedding bells. The altar was flanked on either side by tall baskets of white gladioli and improvised jade leaves backed by double candelabra, with white tapers, entwined with frosted lemon leaves.

The beautiful mantle arrangement was a reflecting large mirror of white gladioli with barberry and lemon leaves and silver wedding bells. Crystal hurricane lamps with white tapers were on the mantle.

To introduce the ceremony, Mrs. Ray McReynolds, pianist, played "I Love You Truly," and Barbara McDougal sang "Because." Background music during the ceremony was "Salute Damour." The traditional wedding marches were used for the processional and the recessional.

Attending the bride as maid-of-honor, Miss Mildred White was attired in a grey suit. She wore a camellia corsage.

Miss Rita Jo Crow, sister of the bridegroom, lighted the candles. She was attired in an orchid dress with a white camellia corsage.

Mr. Garland Butler served as best man.

The bride was attractive in a pastel blue suit with grey accessories. She carried a white prayer book, with a white orchid, surrounded by Stephanotis, and showered with streamers of white satin ribbon.

The bride's mother wore a grey dress with a gardenia corsage. Mrs. Crow, mother of the bridegroom, wore a black dress with a gardenia corsage.

Following the ceremony, the bridal party was feted at a reception. The serving table was laid with a brocade white satin cloth with appointments of crystal and silver. A tiered wedding cake centered the table which was garlanded with fern, white Fleur-de-amours, and miniature silver wedding bells. The wedding gifts were on display during the serving hour. The couple is at home in Amarillo.

# MERRY CHRISTMAS 1951

Let us share the Blessings of Christmas Together.

## CANYON MOTOR CO.

Mrs. Crow is now attending Amarillo High School. Mr. Crow graduated from Canyon High School and attended West Texas State College. He is now in the United States Navy.

### Deals in Dirt

John B. Cameron and wife, Anna Cameron, to Ivan Tucker, the south 30 feet of lot no. 22 and the north 25 feet of lot no. 21 of block no. 11.

Nellie Lance and husband, S. C. Lance, W. L. Rogers, Toye Rogers, Opal Secor and husband, Walter Secor, Myles A. Buchanan to Geo. Small, all of lots no. 7 and 8 in block no. 37.

Troy F. Jones to Homes Construction Company, the north 55 feet of lot no. 30 in block no. 8-A.

Plains Homes Construction Co. to Charles Franklin Sizlove and wife, Maxine Sizlove, the north 55 feet of lot no. 30 in block no. 8-A.

Clifford Turner and wife, Johnnie M. Turner, to Theron Atkinson, lot no. 3 in block no. 4-B.

Thomas Howard Slocum and wife, Lottie Zaring Slocum, to Lou Bones, the north 54 feet of lot no. 21 in block no. 11-B.

Jack M. Stallings and wife, Mary L. Stallings, to Home Building and Realty Co., lot no. 12 in block no. 3.

J. W. Byrd and wife, Julia Etta Byrd, to Earl B. Byrd, the west one-half of section no. 103 in block no. M-9 of the J. H. Gibson Survey.

J. W. Byrd and wife, Julia Etta Byrd, to Esther Byrd Quarnstrom, the north one-half of section 114 of block M-9 of the J. H. Gibson Survey.

Lowell I. Armstrong and wife, Virginia Mae Armstrong, to Bob Lancaster and wife, Betty Lancaster, all of lot no. 10 in block no. "Z."

Empire Investment Corp. to Troy F. Jones, B. R. Jones and Dale Andrews, lots nos. 3 and 10, both inclusive in block 7-A and lots nos. 31 to 38, both inclusive in block no. 8-A.

W. C. Austin and wife, Dorothy Austin, to Wayne Sanford, the west 50 feet of the south one-fourth of block no. 17.

C. H. Stratton and wife, Myrtle L. Stratton, to H. H. Kelso, a tract of land 50 feet by 150 in block no. 73.

John Dees and wife, Coye Dees, to E. M. Myers, trustee, all of lots nos. 1 and 2 in block no. 15.

C. R. Austin and wife, Margaret Austin, to C. C. Reid, tracts nos. 13, 14, 15, and 16 in the east and south part of section no. 4, block no. 9.

J. R. Strait and wife, Ola Strait, to Jack R. Speer and wife, Florence L. Speer, the north 50 feet of lot no. 21 in block no. 10-B.

John H. Hodges to Frank D. Arnold and wife, Betty An Arnold, lot no. 14 in block no. 1.

James L. Allred and wife, Sara Ley Allred, to Carroll W. Goss, Jr., and wife, Joyce Goss, lot no. 16 in block no. 8.

The Long Bell Lumber Co. to Gwynne W. White, the north one-half of lot no. 13 and the north one-half of lot no. 14, all in block "Q."

Amarillo Homes, Inc. to William H. Whitworth and wife, Evelyn Bond Whitworth, lot no. 6 in block no. 5-B.

Roy Dean Brinson and wife, Evelyn J. Brinson, to Mabel Zimmerman, lot no. 14 in block no. 12.

Paul E. Long and wife, Jewel Long, to E. S. Westerfield, 110

## Symbols of Our Faith



acres out of section no. 32 in block no. B-5.

Clifford McMurtry to D. T. Webb and wife, Velma M. Webb, 62 acres, more or less, out of section no. 1, block no. 2.

The Long Bell Lumber Co. to Webster L. Marble and wife, Helen T. Marble, lot no. 12 in block no. "N."

C. E. Wyrick and wife, Miriam Wyrick, to Newton J. Robison, Jr. and wife, Myra R. Robison, lot no. 13 in block "L."

Mark T. Miles and wife, Annabel Miles, to West Lawn Homes, Inc., lot no. 5 in block no. 12.

Richard V. Naylor and wife, Bettie J. Naylor, to James F. Phipps and wife, Melba Wray Phipps, the south 6 feet of lot no. 21 and the north 40 feet of lot no. 20 in block no. 11-B.

Troy F. Jones, B. R. Jones and Dale Andrews to Hugo G. Campbell and wife, Annette Campbell, the south 28 feet of lot no. 33 and the north 22 feet of lot no. 32 in block 8-A.

R. B. Dinwiddie and wife, Nellie Dinwiddie, to A. D. Gugenheim, Jr., and wife, Mattie Ruth Gugenheim, all of tracts nos. 15 and 16 and the north 226 of tract no. 2, in section no. 4, block no. 9.

J. Ernest Stroud and wife, Nell H. Stroud, to E. J. McCartt, Jr., all of lots nos. 3, 4, and 5 in block no. 8.

Emanuel Dan Busch and wife, Murrell Busch, Fred Busch, Jr., and wife, Allegra L. Busch, to E. J. McCartt, Jr., all of lots nos. 1 and 2 in block no. 8.

R. N. Miller, H. P. Swaim, W. W. Todd, J. W. Mount, Harvey L. Johnson and H. E. Wooten to E. J. McCartt, Jr., all of lots nos. 23, and 24 in block no. 8.

Amarillo Homes, Inc. to Elmer Runquist, lot no. 12 in block no. 4-B.

Joseph W. McDonald and wife, Winona M. McDonald, to H. T. Gill, lot no. 2 in block no. 1.

Elizabeth D. Taylor to Joe Frank, an undivided one-half interest in and to the west one-half of the west 240 acres of section no. 25.

Joe Frank and wife, Ida C. Frank to J. W. Morris and wife, Minnie

E. Morris, all of the west 120 acres of section no. 25 in block B-5.

Ira L. Fritts and wife, Rachel Fritts, to L. D. Singleton and wife, Margie Singleton, lot no. 16 in block no. "G."

Winston O. Solomon and wife, Margaret Solomon, to John R. Ladehoff, lot no. 4 in block no. "C."

John R. Ladehoff, Jr., and wife, V. V. Ladehoff, to Winston O. Solomon, the east 322.83 feet of block no. 7, section no. 121 in block no. 2.

### NET FLATTOP

With the contract awarded last July, the Navy is building the U. S. S. Forrestal, the first of a new type of aircraft carrier, which probably will become the pattern for an entirely new family of flat-tops. The Forrestal will be a 59,900-ton ship, 1040 feet long, with a flight deck as wide as 252 feet at one point. A multiple system of catapults will allow simultaneous launching of four planes — a feature vitally needed when sudden action is necessary. Estimated cost of the new carrier is \$218,000,000.

### POTATOES

The white potato is again a problem for the Government. This time the problem is consumer complaints to the OPS that prices threaten to get out of hand. Last year, the Agriculture Department was worried because prices were too low. Farmers cut acreages of potatoes this year almost a fifth. This, coupled with less favorable weather, has resulted in a crop almost 25 per cent smaller than last year and, for the first time in seven years, there is no surplus of potatoes.

### DEFERMENT TEST

About 22,500 college students have asked to take the next draft-deferment test, to be held on December 13th, according to a report by the Selective Service.

Japanese parents fear peace treaty may shut off school food.

## Annell Pond Gives Christmas Tea

Miss Annelle Pond entertained with a Christmas Tea in her home Sunday afternoon, December 16.

Yellow and orchid mums were used for decorations throughout the house.

The serving table was covered with a drawn work table cloth, and beautifully decorated with large green candles centered in styrofoam, surrounded with gold and green Christmas balls and everlasting evergreens sprinkled with Christmas snow and topped with green and white walking canes.

Miss Patsy Vandergriff presided at the guest book, and music was furnished by Mrs. Glenn Dowlen and Dorothy Reynolds. Mrs. Floyd Tomlinson and Mrs. F. M. Hacker poured.

Lime punch, pecan kisses and nuts were served to the following guests: Barbara Bagley, Nancy Kay Tomlinson, Mrs. Glenn Dowlen, Norma Jean Tomlinson, Florence Hacker, Mrs. Vardaman Cook, Virginia Holt, Sue Keeling, Ann Holt, Bobbie Grigsby, Nora Dell Ruthart, Mrs. J. C. McClendon, Johnnie Bonds, Wanette Green, Arlene Johnson, Shirley Peppard, Mrs. George Hand, Mrs. V. K. McCaskill, Anne Barnhill, Evelyn Costley, Louise Hunter, Barbara Winters, Wilda Fae Pitt, Mary Owens, Mary Ann Dawdy, Jan Waldrop, Joyce Keller, LaDonna Keller, Betty Ross Craig, Melva Ainsworth, Alice Simms, Glenetta Johnson, Mrs. Floyd Tomlinson, Barbara Beck, Anna Lou Samuelson, Florence Coffee, Bette McGehee, Elaine Cundiff, Peggy Bonds, and Janie Jennings.

### FAIR QUESTION

The plumbers at Oak Ridge are on strike. Wonder if they'll forget to bring their pickets?

Record farm production is called for next year.

Farm prices rose 1.7 per cent in November, Government reports.

## SANTA TOLD US NOT TO TELL

We know what Santa's bringing you—  
But, we're not going to tell.  
His pack contains surprising gifts  
And things you want as well.  
But, we can tell you of our wish  
That you and yours will find  
This Christmas filled with merriment  
Good will and peace of mind.

## HARWOOD & SON GROCERY

### TAXES

As a result of the higher Federal taxes, which went into effect on November 1, the average American will give the Government 29 weeks' more pay out of his working life, according to the Commerce Clearing House, a business and tax law analyzing agency. It defined its "average American" as 29 years old, married and the father of two, earning \$4,300 a year. Under the old tax structure, he could expect to pay \$34,743 in taxes during his working years, as compared to \$37,163 under present taxes.

### LIFE SPAN

According to figures released by the U. S. Public Health Service, babies born in the United States this year have on the average, nearly 68 years of life ahead of them. The new estimates for average life span show that white women will continue to outlive men by five and a half years.

Limited tax bill spurs bid to trim military expenditures.

Herbert Hoover, former President "The seat of liberty must be kept near enough home to keep an eye on it."

Baruch warns that growing inflation imperils universities.

100 big plants get 6.1 per cent of U. S. defense contracts.

Crackdown on business mergers ordered by head of F. T. C.

Joint Chiefs of Staff agree on expanded forces for 1953.

A. B. A. warned inflation may destroy economic freedom.

Army to expand Ranger training to all combat elements.

Center of population moves from Indiana into Illinois.

MAIL THIS ISSUE OF The News to a friend when you get through reading it. However, it will be cheaper to pay for an annual subscription to The Canyon News and have the paper mailed weekly to pay the postage every week. **tf**



## A PORTRAIT OF CHRISTMAS

Trees a-glow with colored lights — be-ribboned gifts heaped beneath the tree — stacks of greeting cards from friends and loved ones — the heart-stirring melody of Christmas carols — stockings hung up on the mantle — the promise of a princely feast on the morrow — but, first Santa's visit and the mad scramble of eager children to see what he has brought. This is Christmas. May all of this be yours — and to it we add our warmest greetings and kindest wishes.

# STEVENSON



## PONTIAC



Our little one's a precious tyke;  
His charm he does not hoard it.  
So we got him a shiny bike,  
Though we could ill afford it.

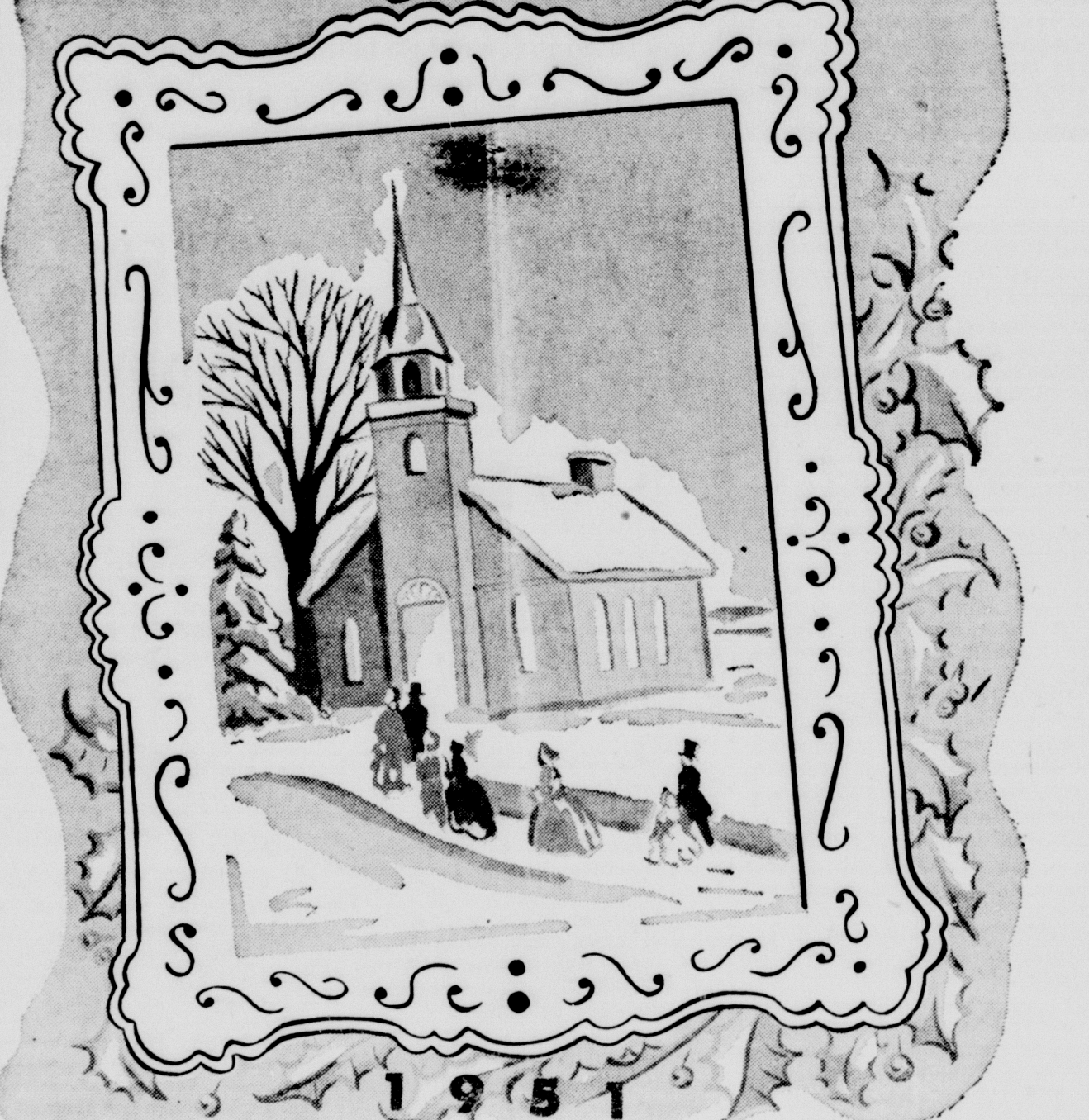
Sis is growing up so fast,  
We really had to get her  
A doll, and since 'twill be her last,  
We thought a large one better.

Big brother sure can make a hit  
And he can also field one;  
So we got him a baseball mitt,  
Though our budget scarce could yield one.

Then when our purse had run way down—  
(And nothing could forestall it)—  
For mom we got a plain white gown;  
For dad, an empty wallet.



# Merry Christmas



## Army Offers Aliens Citizenship Plus Career in New Plan

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—The old sergeant's admonition—"You've found a home in the Army"—literally may come true for 12,500 alien youths.

They may volunteer to serve five years in the Army and qualify for an enlistment "bonus" of United States citizenship under provisions of a new, history-making program.

Training of 2,500 men in the first phase of the Alien Enlistment Program will begin this month.

Most of these prospective soldiers are Europeans—many of them "stateless" citizens of countries behind the Iron Curtain. Young men from other areas of the world may be enlisted during a later phase of the program if it is determined that their services would be desirable.

The foreign nationals are expected to furnish valuable, specialist talents which the Army needs but is unable to obtain in sufficient quantity from its native-born troops. As linguists and skilled craftsmen, they will be available for world-wide assignment after basic and advanced military training is completed.

The six-month-old program enabling these men—many of them with past military experience and a command of several languages—to enter the Army was established nearly a year ago by the 81st Congress. The law is the first in history to make non-resident, foreign-born nationals acceptable for the Army.

The Army plans to treat and train the foreign soldiers on an equal basis with other members of the service. Its aim is that "they will lose their identity as aliens as fast as possible."

While more than enough applications were received to fill the initial phase of AEP (2,500 quota) screening of the candidates for security and other qualifications will eliminate some of them. A strict background investigation is used to throw out applications of undesirable aliens, regardless of their nationality.

Volunteers for the career-citizenship enlistment plan can be accepted from any country other than Germany or nations participating either in the European Recovery Plan or North Atlantic Treaty, according to Department of Army policy.

## Sailor Demoted in Rank After One-Man Crusade

BAINBRIDGE, Md.—Squaking about Army and Navy chow is old stuff to service veterans, but it got Bruce Hopping, a sailor, into trouble.

Hopping, a yeoman third class, was restricted to quarters after he admitted passing out mimeographed handbills suggesting that other sailors write their congressman about conditions at the base.

There was talk of a court-martial, but Rear Admiral R. O. Davis, 5th Naval District Commander, suggested "appropriate disciplinary action short of judicial action."

Yeoman Hopping is now Seaman Hopping.

## Marine Starts Family Tradition by Joining Up

WITH THE FIRST MARINE DIVISION IN KOREA—When Sergeant David O. Menchen, 21, of Alameda, California, enlisted in the Marine Corps in 1947, he started a family chain reaction.

His three younger brothers have followed him. All but one are now in the First Marine Division in Korea.

The sergeant, a member of the First Tank Battalion, was followed by Corporal Lon A., 20, Private First Class William J., 18, and Private Edward P., 19. Cpl. Lon A. Menchen is serving with the First Engineer Battalion, while Pfc. William J. is a member of Weapons Company, Third Battalion, Fifth Marine Regiment. Private Edward P. Menchen joined the Corps just recently and is at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, California.

I suppose Ed will be over here pretty soon," Pfc. William J. Menchen said. "We all followed Dave into the Corps and I guess Ed will follow him over here like Lon and I did."

The four Marines' foster parents are Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Barron, 985 Park Street, Alameda.

## Attorney Denies Mussolini's Body Returned to Family

ROME, Italy—The body of Benito Mussolini has not been returned to his family, the attorney for his widow has declared, because "the living are afraid of the dead."

The attorney, Italo Formichella, a friend of Il Duce during the last two years of the Fascist regime, denied that the body was to be returned for burial in the hometown cemetery at Predappio.

The whereabouts of the body is still unknown. After he was slain by partisans, Mussolini's body was buried in a Milan cemetery, but was later stolen and taken to Pavia. The government recovered it, however, and buried it in a secret place to prevent another theft.

Lovett says military counts on civilians for blood donations.

## FORESIGHT

One summer morning, while on vacation, Norwegian dramatist Henrik Ibsen called at the home of a fellow artist and asked to see the latter's wife.

"A button has come off my coat," Ibsen explained to her, "and I must sew it on again. Would you please thread this needle for me? My eyes are not strong."

He handed her a needle and a spool of thread. She completed the task in a moment, and Ibsen thanked her and departed. Several weeks later, the two met again.

"How is your sewing coming along?" she asked. "Have you been threading the needle yourself since I last saw you?"

"Oh no," replied Ibsen. "I made sure then that the thread would be long enough to last me all summer."

## Bottoms Up!

A flashy character barged into a Detroit saloon, demanded a double jigger of scotch, downed it in one gulp, plunked a \$5 bill on the counter, and walked out without another word. The bartender folded the five carefully, pocketed it, and remarked to the barflies: "Can you beat a phony like that? Laps up a double scotch, leaves a five dollar tip, and beats it without paying!"

## Right Crowd

"Brothers," said the colored preacher, "The subject of mah sermon today is liars. How many in dis congregation have read the 69th chapter of Matthew?" Nearly every hand went up.

"You is de people ah wants to preach to," the reverend said. "Dere is no such chapter."

## First of All

Romeo was the first quizmaster. Remember his declaration that he had a lady in the balcony?

## THANKS, TEACHER



Sir Oswald Mosley, leader of the British Union of Fascists, had marched at the head of a great procession to Albert Hall in London, where a large crowd awaited him. With dramatic effect he mounted the rostrum under the glare of spotlights and raised his arm in the Fascist salute. The effect was ruined by a voice from the gallery calling, "Yes, Oswald, you may leave the room!"

## And With Glasses

The girl who is a vision in the moonlight may be a sight in the sunlight.

## Unflattering Portrait

At the height of his trust busting campaign, Theodore Roosevelt had his portrait painted by an artist friend. When he saw the finished work, he sulked. All his unflattering features had been exaggerated.

"Do I really look like that to you?" he said.

The artist nodded. "Hmm," muttered T. R. "Now I know why I have so many enemies."

## REMEMBERS WHEN



During the quail season Bruce Cooper met an old farmer hunting with an ancient pointer. Twice the dog pointed. Twice his master kicked at the matted growth, wheeled sharply and fired into the empty air. When Cooper saw no birds rise, he asked the farmer for an explanation.

"Shucks," grinned the old man. "I knew there warn't no birds in that grass. Spot's nose ain't what it used to be. But him and me have seen some wonderful days together. He's still doing his best—and it'd be mighty little of me to call him a liar."

## A NEW DEAL

The landlady brought in a plateful of extremely thin slices of bread and butter, which rather dismayed her hungry men boarders.

"Did you cut these, Mrs. Brown?" asked one.

"Yes—I cut them," came the stern reply.

"Oh," went on the boarder. "All right—I'll shuffle and deal!"

Truman signs \$5,864,301,178 bill for military construction.



## WHAT MORE IS THERE TO SAY

As our thoughts turn to you this Holiday Season, we wonder just how we can convey to you all that is in our hearts.

We finally choose — as always — the simplest and sweetest message of them all: "Merry Christmas."

## FARLOW ELECTRIC

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gallon of Cosa Mesa, Calif., and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Eastman and son, Bobby, of Whittier, Calif., are visiting in the home of Mrs. Mary Simon over the Christmas holidays. Mrs. Gallon and Mrs. Eastman are the daughters of Mrs. Simon.

Carl Michell is visiting in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sheridan Michell, over the Christmas holidays.

Mabel Graham, student at Baylor University in Waco, is visiting in the parental Walter Graham home over the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. Amelia Warren and daughter, Jo Beth, left Sunday for Philadelphia, Pa., to make their home temporarily with Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Phillips. Mrs. Warren has been employed by the Canyon Drug for the past several years.

Mr. and Mrs. Olin E. Hinkle and sons are here from Austin to spend the holidays with relatives.

Robert E. Wilson, chairman, Standard Oil Company (Indiana): "American business ethics deserves far more acclaim and less attack than it has been receiving."

Miss Beth Kimbrough is spending the Christmas holidays in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kimbrough.

J. Warren Kinsman, DuPont official: "The forces of socialized evil have wormed or bullied their way to power."

Mr. and Mrs. Irby Carruth and sons will arrive today from Austin to spend the holidays here with relatives.

Walter Geilhorn, professor: "The 'family farm,' the old ideal of America, is now being defined as a farm on which a family can starve."

Miss Vergie Haines is spending the Christmas holidays in the home of her mother, Mrs. Gladys Haines.



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BRITAIN'S STUDIO

## Statehouse

by HUGH WILLIAMSON

Tax-paying time is approaching. Are your taxes too high?

Lieut. Gen. Ernest O. Thompson had some remarks to make about taxes and government when he recently addressed the West Central Texas Oil and Gas Association at Abilene.

Thompson, as you know, is a member of the Texas Railroad Commission. He was talking about whether there would be enough oil to fight World War III, if it should come. In our present system of free enterprise, he pointed out, oil production will continue only so long as the profit incentive exists.

Under our system, the principle applies everywhere. You and I wouldn't work or operate a business or a farm, unless we could make a reasonable amount of money at it.

The trouble is, as Thompson observed, it is getting more and more difficult to make a profit, in view of mounting taxes.

"High taxes," the speaker said, "dry up initiative. High taxes can wipe out jobs and entire business establishments. Whether such results are intentional or from lack of foresight makes little difference. The goose that lays the tax egg is dead just the same."

"When this and next year's taxes are being paid, I hope and I believe that the American people will begin to say, 'We cannot survive under such a burden.' When the people speak, and only when the people speak decisively at the

voting polls will the tax spiral be stopped."

Why aren't people now working for lower taxes?

The reason is, Thompson believes, that too many of us are thinking only of personal comfort and personal security. College graduates, looking for jobs, are asking about working hours and retirement benefits, rather than what they can put into the business.

Basically, Thompson believes, the situation has been brought about by a change from thrift to spendthrift psychology in America during the last 50 years.

"In the 1900 era," he recalls, "almost every boy sought to get into some activity on his own. He wanted to be the proprietor of a ranch or a shop or a store, however small. Now the tendency seems to be to get on the payroll of the government or on the payroll of big business."

Great taxes, the railroad commissioner reminds us, are of our own making. We voted for them, and we can correct them. "But we can never get in balance if more and more people go to work for the government, and more and more people are added to the tax load year after year. If we keep going at the present rate of increase . . . by the year 2000 one-half of our adult population will be on the payroll of security rolls or relief rolls of the government."

Taking your money is bad enough, but whenever the government does that, it also takes away some of your rights. To emphasize that point, Thompson quotes former President Herbert Hoover as follows:

"You cannot extend the mastery of the government over the daily working life of a people without at the same time making it the

master of the people's souls and thoughts. Every expansion of government in business means that government, in order to protect itself from the political consequences of its errors and wrongs, is driven irresistibly without peace to greater and greater control of the nation's press and platform. Free speech does not live many hours after free industry and free commerce die."

"Every step in that direction poisons political equality, free speech, free press, and equality of opportunity. It is the road not to more liberty but to less liberty. True liberalism is found not in striving to spread bureaucracy, but in striving to set bounds to it. True liberalism seeks all legitimate freedom first in the confident belief that without such freedom the pursuit of other blessings is in vain."

"Every time the government is forced to act, we lose something in self-reliance, character, and initiative."

## McElroy Injured In Collision of Cars Saturday

Clyde McElroy received several bruises and cuts in an automobile collision a short distance north of town about 11:30 o'clock Saturday morning. McElroy was taken to the Neblett Hospital where he was treated by Dr. Neblett and then taken home.

No one involved in the accident was critically injured. Mr. McElroy was the most seriously hurt and he was not retained in the hospital. However, it was reported that several stitches were required for the cuts McElroy received.

Both cars were reported as having been damaged considerably.

## PLEASANTVIEW H. D. CLUB ENJOYS CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Pleasantview Home Demonstration Club had its annual Christmas tree on Friday evening, Dec. 21, in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Cranmer.

The highlight of the evening was the visit of Santa Claus who presented gifts to everyone present. Home made candy, cookies, coffee, and coca colas were served to 48 guests.

Thomas E. Murray, atomic-energy commissioner: "Science will never properly answer such fundamental questions as: What is man? What is his destiny? Who is God?"

Clarence E. Manion, Dean of law college, Notre Dame: "Americans now desperately need to develop a violent allergy to increased governmental activity."

Estes Kefauver, U. S. Senator from Tennessee: "The only way to win World War III is to prevent it."

Mrs. John Graham, wife of the Assistant Secretary of the Treasury: "We can't economize enough to avoid raising taxes."

Arms output peak will be reached in 1953, Wilson says.

## Car Owners

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## Texas Voters Are Warned To Be on Guard; Sound Resolutions Needed

AUSTIN:—We will soon be entering the New Year 1952, with the people of the United States and the world puzzled, weary, worried and wondering what could and should be done to get us out of this mess, with everybody wondering why it is individuals grow up and government never does. It is probably all due to lack of leadership. But the New Year is the right time to make resolutions, and if ever in the history of Texas and the United States we needed some good, common sense resolutions, it is now, and backed up with a resolute spirit.

If the following suggested resolutions are carried out in 1952 a lot of worries will vanish and we will all be better off, but both resolution and resoluteness are needed.

### The Texas Citizen:

"During 1952 I will vote in every primary and election, regarding it as a privilege and a duty. I will vote against any candidate for national office, whether for the presidency, senate or congress unless such candidate pledges himself to eliminate corruption in Washington, unless such candidate fights any proposed new and additional tax burdens, unless he fights to a finish the administration's proposed civil rights bill, since it is a blow aimed against the South; unless such candidate fights to retain for Texas its own tidelands, and unless such candidate puts state rights and Democracy above bureau rule.

"I will insist that any candidate I vote for shall openly advocate return to Jeffersonian Democracy as opposed to gangster politics in high office and that such candidate puts freedom of enterprise far above Socialistic schemes."

### The Texas Editor:

"I will publish the news regardless of who is affected just so it is fair and accurate. I will fight to the last ditch efforts in Washington, Louisiana, or elsewhere to throttle the press, or any edict by the president or any federal bureau which says that American newspapers may print only what they approve, for this system would be that of Russia.

"Freedom of our press is guaranteed by the American constitution, too sacred a liberty to be trampled by political bosses, and I will do my utmost to protect this liberty."

### The Texas Legislator:

"I will oppose any tax bill unless it is one designed to eliminate the inequities in the existing tax structures. I will oppose any bills to establish any new state board, bureau or commission as we have too many already. I will seek to reduce instead of increase the cost of our state government, now more than \$1,000,000,000 for the biennial period. I will fight all Socialistic schemes."

### Texas Business Man:

"I know things are in a terrible mess in this country with its mounting taxes, waste of billions of dollars, corruption, dumb controls that do not control and political hypocrisy. So in 1952 I will take part in public affairs, take a direct interest in politics and do all I can to get us out of this dilemma so that all of us, employer and employee, shall make progress and make free enterprise free again. While our employees are again asking for a wage increase, and which may be justified due to increased cost of living how are we going to pay such increases when the government gets nearly all of our money in taxes and the cost of materials constantly rise? It is time for employers and em-

## Leghorn Suited Geographically For U. S. Base

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The new U. S. supply base at Leghorn, Italy, which recently handled 1,200 debarking troops, is picking up a story where it ended four years ago.

At that time the port was marked "exit" for the last of the home-bound American forces stationed in Italy during and after World War II.

Today, as then, geography helped dictate the use of Leghorn—Livorno in Italian—as a convenient distribution point.

With one of the best harbors of the peninsula, this seaport is more than 300 sailing miles closer to New York than are Germany's Bremen and Hamburg. It is also somewhat nearer than the northern ports to the American occupation zone in Austria, for which most of the lately landed troops were destined.

In addition, Leghorn has the strategic advantage of offering a southern route into central Europe in case of northern blockade. Its position on Italy's open west coast especially favors it over eastern possibilities on the Adriatic, where the relatively narrow entrance at Otranto Strait presents a potential enemy bottleneck.

### War-time Prize

Leghorn was considered a valuable prize when it was captured by the Allies in July, 1944. The port had ranked after Naples and Genoa, with a daily shipping capacity of 17,500 tons.

In the struggle, Allied bombs and demolition by retreating Germans virtually wrecked the city and all its port facilities. So complete was the devastation that incoming American engineers found it simpler to build a new port near by than to repair the old one. Only an estimated 20,000 of Leghorn's 125,000 inhabitants then remained in the gutted town.

By 1949, the city's population had passed the old mark and reached nearly 145,000. Although returning GI's find the town still battered, and American base officers complain that its silt-laden channel needs dredging to accommodate large ships, port activities are booming.

Extensive shipbuilding has been resumed, and the Italian Naval Academy (Italy's Annapolis) is giving instruction despite treaty limitations on the size of Italy's navy.

### Old Commercial Center

Ancient, canal-laced Leghorn through the centuries has been preeminently a commercial center. First mentioned in the 9th century, this Tuscany town came into prominence and prosperity in late medieval times as a free port for Mediterranean trade.

Under the Medici, who built it up and fortified it, the city gained a still-persisting international flavor when it invited there "men of East and West, Spaniards and Portuguese, Greeks, Germans, Italians, Hebrews, Turks, Moors, Armenians, and Persians."

Among the numerous and varied industries of Leghorn, the visitor looks in vain for the expected Leghorn hat manufacture. This fine-woven Tuscany straw is produced in Fiesole, a suburb of Florence. Like "Panama" hats made elsewhere, Leghorns took their name from the port from which they were shipped.

### Farm Folk Prefer to Buy Feed Sold in Cotton Bags

MEMPHIS—Farm folk prefer to buy feed in cotton bags. Surveys at four state fairs show this to be true. Cotton bags, because of their re-use value, appeal to farm wives. Almost 2,000 women were interviewed at state fairs in Minnesota, Iowa, Nebraska, and California.

More than 60 per cent of these women prefer that their husbands buy the 50 lb. dress print bag. They stood by this preference even when told that the cotton bag costs 15 per cent more than other type bags.

More than 90 per cent of the women consider the dress print bag worth 20 cents to them. They set the value of the bleached cotton bag at 17 cents, and the unbleached bag at 15 cents.

### Large Mustache, Biggest In Egypt to Bristle Again

CAIRO, Egypt — Traffic policeman Mohammed Ibrahim Sayed Ahmed can grow back his magnificent mustache.

His superiors had ordered it clipped because it distracted drivers and snarled traffic in Alexandria. Ahmed was then sent to an isolated village.

The policeman was vindicated after a year long legal battle over the thick black mustache. He was awarded one piastre (3 cents) for "moral damage." The judgment permits him to sue for "real damages" later if he wants to.

Before he was clipped and exiled, Ahmed had the finest mustache in all Egypt. It jutted upward in twin tapering spikes.

F. C. C. to enforce ban on censorship of candidates' talks.

## Hanford Atomic Activity Is Not Harmful to Area

RICHLAND, Wash.—One person would have to eat, at a single sitting, 100 pounds of Columbia River salmon caught just below the Hanford atomic energy works here, to take into his body a noticeable amount of radioactive material resulting from operation of these works.

This shows how slightly such operations affect the nearby area, including the Columbia River, according to George R. Prout, General Electric vice president and manager of the company's nuclear energy department. The department operates the Hanford Works for the Atomic Energy Commission.

Describing the plant's operations, Mr. Prout said atomic energy is used in great reactors, or atomic furnaces to make the atomic fuel and bomb material called plutonium. Cooling water, from the Columbia River, is pumped through the reactors. Later it is returned to the river, but only after its radioactivity has been reduced almost to the vanishing point, he added.

Thus, even if they were caught just below the plant, 100 pounds of salmon would have to be eaten at one meal to give a person an appreciable dose of radioactivity. Even that amount might not necessarily be harmful.

In addition to studies of the river water and its inhabitants, some 25,000 salmon are hatched and specially raised each year by the Health Instruments Division of the Hanford Works. This group is responsible for checking any possible effects that radiation and radioactive wastes might have on the surroundings and on the people working in and near the plant.

The water in which these test fish are raised has a much higher radioactive contamination than actually released. It is expected that this work will yield information valuable for future builders of atomic plants. It is not the water itself, but dissolved minerals, that become radioactive.

### Father and Grandfather In one Day is too Much

DODGEVILLE, Wis.—A 46 year old farmer from the nearby town of Mineral Point is recovering well from a strong overdose of excitement. He became a father and a grandfather on the same day.

Mrs. DeRoy Dobson, his daughter-in-law, gave birth to a fine son early in the morning. Bearing up well under the strain, Willard Dobson tried to comfort his wife, who shortly after gave birth to a daughter.

It was too much for Willard, who collapsed with a heart attack. At last reports, however, all parties involved were doing nicely.

### Wacs Prove Top Instructors As Well as Good Students

FORT BELVOIR, Va.—Members of the Women's Army Corps are proving to be excellent instructors as well as scholars at the Army's Corps of Engineers School at Fort Belvoir.

In recent weeks, three Wacs have graduated from co-educational courses with top honors and two now are acting as instructors in map reproduction.

First Lieutenant Jean M. Fuller, executive officer of the Wac detachment here, said there were 21 Wacs in classes with enlisted men now at the Engineers' School "and they're all doing splendidly."

At present there are 111 Wacs assigned to the Army Engineers Center. They are under the command of Captain Marjorie P. Churchill, of Galesburg, Ill. Both Captain Churchill and Lieutenant Fuller, who entered the service in San Francisco, have been in the Army for eight years. Both have served in overseas assignments.

The 21 Wac students now at Fort Belvoir are studying engineer drafting, cartography, and map reproduction. Assignments of the others include positions in the map reproduction center, in the academic records section, as administrative assistants in several sections, lighting engineers, laboratory technicians, medical assistants, clerks and stenographers.

In a class of 40 engineer drafting students, Corporal Patricia Crantford Raygor—the only Wac in the class—finished with highest grades.

### Red Tint of Pink Salmon Causes British to Blush

LONDON — The pink salmon served aboard ship on the H.M.S. Glory recently was as red as some of the crew members' faces.

A sailor assigned to the galley thought it time to write to a Member of Parliament when he noticed the bright red star on the cans and the words, "Product of U.S.S.R."

The M.P. asked the Admiralty for an explanation, causing more red faces. The Admiralty passed the responsibility off to the Ministry of Food, where the salmon originated in the first place.

The Ministry of Food could shuffle blame on no one else, so it said, "They asked for it (the salmon) jolly well enough."

De Gaulle parallels Reds in opposing the Atlantic Pact.

## Shirley Goodman Honored With Bridal Shower

Miss Shirley Goodman, bride-elect of Burney Bryce Slack, Jr., was honored with a bridal shower on Saturday afternoon, December 22, in the home of Mrs. Lee Johnson.

Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. A. K. Goodman, Mrs. Slack, and Miss Goodman were in the receiving line and greeted the guests as they arrived.

The bride's table was laid with a satin strip cloth and centered with an artistic arrangement of wedding bells. The cloppers were made of small white mums and ribbons ran from either side of the arrangement to the ends of the table and carried the names 'Shirley and Bryce.' Tall white tapers completed the decorative arrangement.

Mrs. Kenneth Goodman, sister-in-law of the bride, poured from a silver service the first hour, and Mrs. Zula Usery the last half hour.

Background music was played by Mrs. Ray McReynolds, Mrs. Glenn Dowlen, Miss Ann Holt, Mrs. Lee Foster, and Mrs. Herschel Coffee. Dewayne Brandt, cousin of the bride, took colored movies of the activities.

The house party consisted of the hostesses, Mrs. Lee Johnson, Mrs. W. R. Crow, Mrs. W. F. Haggard, Mrs. Mitchell Jones, Dr. Leta Boswell, and Mrs. Crannell Tolliver.

Miss Goodman was presented a gladioli corsage and others in the receiving line were presented carnation corsages.

Miss Margaret Lee Johnson presided at the guest book which was placed on a small table that was beautifully decorated with flowers.

Individual cakes, nuts, and coffee were served. The bride's chosen colors were blue and silver.

Approximately 175 guests called or sent gifts.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy B. Tabor of Wichita Falls spent a few days during the holidays with their daughter, Mrs. James H. Scott and sons, and visiting with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Jones of Stanton, Texas, visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Murrell Latimer over the week-end.

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## Hurry Santa

We need your help! Our good wishes for our friends and customers are greater than we can express—and we need a Goodwill Specialist like you to do it for us! So bring to each one the joy we wish for them, won't you, please?



FOSTER  
LAUNDRY

## Dr. Sam Johnson Is Named Head of Service at Quantico

Dr. Sam Johnson, son of Dr. and Mrs. Lee Johnson of Canyon, became chief of Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Service, U. S. Naval Hospital, Quantico, Va., on December 14.

He has been on the staff of this hospital since May, after being transferred from the U. S. Army Hospital, Ft. Sill, Okla., where he held a similar assignment.

In January, Dr. and Mrs. Sam Johnson will go to New Orleans, La., where Dr. Johnson will attend a conference on Glaucoma, conducted by international authorities in the field from Boston, Mass., Chicago, Ill., and London, England.

Do you have something for sale or trade? Run a Classified ad in The Canyon News.

## PRESBYTERIAN AUXILIARY HOLDS CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Women's Presbyterian Auxiliary had a Christmas party in the home of Mrs. L. A. Donnell with Mrs. McCaslin as co-hostess. Because of sickness of scores of workers and some out of town, not all of the members could attend; however, 12 members and visitors were present to enjoy the lovely party.

The house was beautifully decorated in keeping with the season. A lovely tree, decorated and lighted, had the presents to be exchanged after a lovely Christmas. The presents were given by the members.

Delicious and attractive refreshments were served by the hostess.

Ted Perkins is home from A&M College to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Perkins.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Tahxton of College Station visited in the home of Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Markham over the week-end.

## Christmas Cheer

If there is cheer in good will, and if friendliness means happiness then this Christmas will be your most joyous, because we have a world of friendship for you, our many friends.

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AUCTIONEER



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# Rigid Inspection Puts Squeeze on Jalopy Traffic

As the first day of 1952 looms up, motorists face many new responsibilities. Most drivers know of the law concerning liability insurance, but are not fully familiar with the safety inspection procedure.

The Randall Motor Company, on Highway 87 at 5th Avenue, is to be the Canyon inspection station. The thorough inspection will concern all parts of the car that pertain to the operation of the vehicle either in day time or night time.

The first phase of the inspection will be to determine whether the motor number on the title is the same as that on the motor.

Brakes will be inspected for any defects. There must be at least one-third of the brake linings in the drums. The brakes must be sufficient to stop the vehicle within 30 feet when traveling at the speed of 20 miles per hour. The hand brake must hold on a 5 degree grade.

Headlights will be inspected to see that all parts are working. All signal devices must work and the stop light must function correctly when the brake is applied. The reflectors must be of the same type and also be clean and clear to provide sufficient light for night driving. If there is a signal to show whether lights are on dim or bright, it must work also.

The mechanical linkage of the steering gear is inspected for wear. Tie-rod ends and steering gear arms will be inspected for wear. All 18 inch steering wheels will be allowed 3 inches of play and the 20 inch wheels will be allowed 4 inches of play.

Wheels will be checked for alignment. Springs and shackles will be inspected for wear and the axles will be checked to see that they are not bent.

The rear view mirror must be clear, rigidly mounted in a position enabling the driver to see at least 200 feet behind him, where the road is visible that far back.

One of the vital points of the inspection will be the windshield. Discoloration of the windshield cannot extend more than 3 inches from the bottom and pass inspection. Stars, or gravel chips, will be allowed if they are no bigger than a quarter and have no additional breaks extending out from them. All glasses that are replaced must be safety glass. Only official stickers will be allowed on the windshield.

The windshield wiper must be in working order. The condition of the blade must also be good. It was pointed out that many blades do not wipe cleanly, thereby creating a hazard during rains or foggy weather. No hand operated wipers will be allowed.

Muffler and exhaust will be inspected to see that there is no leakage of exhaust fumes.

Clearance signal lights are required on the side of many vehicles. These lights are required when the body of the truck, or trailer behind the car, extends as much as 24 1/2 inches to the left of center of the steering wheel.

In addition to the red tail light, there must be a white light illuminating the license plate.

In the event you have a wreck resulting in damage of \$25.00 or more the vehicle, or vehicles, involved in the wreck must be re-inspected.

If a vehicle does not pass inspection, the owner has 7 days in which to correct the defects. The inspection must be passed before the owner can obtain license plates for the vehicle. No more than two rejections will be issued to the same vehicle.

When a vehicle is inspected there is a quadruple form that

must be filled out. One of these forms is a sticker that must be placed on the windshield. One is to be carried by the owner of the vehicle and must be presented when new license plates are purchased. One form is to be kept by the inspection station and the fourth is to be sent to Austin.

## Tommie Gooch Is Class President

Thomas Clayton Gooch, Jr., Baylor University freshman from Canyon, has been elected president of the Freshman Class for the Spring Quarter.

Gooch, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom C. Gooch, Sr. of Rt. 2 in Happy, attended Canyon High School before coming to the university. While there, he was a member of the Future Farmers of America and played football.

Glenn W. Dowlen, Jr. arrived Monday from Austin to visit in the parental Glenn Dowlen home over the holidays. The University of Texas chorus was heard Sunday evening in the annual Christmas program which was on the air in this section. Glenn will sing next Sunday morning at the Methodist Church.

## 1951 BRIDGE CLUB HAS CHRISTMAS PARTY

Mrs. J. D. Barker was hostess to a Christmas party on Wednesday, December 19.

Gifts were exchanged from a gaily decorated mantle tree.

A plate lunch of molded chicken salad, olives, cheese squares, fruit cake, and coffee were served to Mrs. J. J. Walker, Mrs. Glenn Dowlen, Mrs. Newton Crain, Mrs. Ray McReynolds, Mrs. Herschel Coffee, Mrs. A. K. Knott, Mrs. Hosea Foster, Mrs. Leonard Britt, Mrs. Boone McClure, Mrs. Iverson Leake, Mrs. Milton Morris and Mrs. J. Madison Daugherty.

Mrs. McClure, president of the club, distributed the gifts.

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FOR RENT: Garage apartment. 710 14th Street. Phone 555. 35tf

FOR RENT: Six room unfurnished house. 2108 8th Ave. 36t2

FOR RENT: Furnished garage apartment; two rooms and bath. 2106 4th Ave. Phone 374. 35tf

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FOR RENT: Two room furnished apartment with bath. 1401 7th Avenue. 37p1

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# Happy Holiday

# 1951



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Navy and the Home-  
front Workers get to-  
gether with Santa  
Claus, it's bound to be

a joyous occasion. So, at this Christmas time,  
we're taking "time out" to be glad that there  
is a Santa Claus, and that the spirit of Christmas  
is everywhere. To our friends and customers we  
wish a most joyous Christmas season.

## CANYON STEAM LAUNDRY

As the wonder of Christmas comes again  
to our homes we pray that the gracious  
and bountiful spirit of the season may  
extend fully into all your lives -- now  
and for all the days hereafter.



## Oriental Comedy



### Mrs. W. C. Black Had Broken Bones In Fall on Ice Friday

Mrs. W. C. Black received fractured bones in her wrist and ankle Friday night when she fell on the ice at her home.

Mrs. Black had returned from a program at the Christian church when she stepped on ice due to the thaw of the afternoon and fell, breaking the bones.

### LEE FOSTERS ATTEND OPEN HOUSE IN VEGA

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Foster and Sally attended the Open House Party given by Raymond Thompson, president of the First State Bank in Vega.

Mr. Thompson is a very prominent ex-student of West Texas State College.

He was the host to an estimated crowd of 500 people for the Christmas party, one of the finest ever held in the community.

Mrs. Foster played the organ which had been placed in the lobby for the gala occasion.

Pvt. R. V. Pennington, Jr. from Yuma, Arizona, Air Base is spending the Christmas holidays in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Pennington, Sr.

## MERRY CHRISTMAS

Our hope, this year as always, is for lasting Peace on Earth for everyone.

We wish that they may share fully in it.

## HART'S APPLIANCE

### Funeral Services Held Saturday For Mrs. Gray

Funeral services for Mrs. Cora Lee Gray were conducted at 2:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Gray had been a Canyon resident for about one year, coming here from Roxton, near Paris. Her health had been failing for several of the past years. She passed away at her home, 402 6th Street, Friday morning. She was 63 years of age.

Final rites were conducted at the Canyon Church of Christ. The Rev. Joe Watson officiated with assistance from the Rev. Strauss Atkinson of the First Baptist Church.

Burial was in Dreamland Cemetery under the direction of Griggs-Warren Funeral Home.

Pall bearers were: J. A. Young, Charley Pruitt, Billy Moore, W. O. Nunley, Jim Riley, Tom Gooch, A. W. Harding and Joe Cox.

Surviving Mrs. Gray are: husband, S. B. Gray; four sons, Cecil of Panhandle, J. C. of Amarillo, and A. B. and Bud Gray both of Canyon; four daughters, Mrs. Bill McDowd and Mrs. Percy Hawthorne both of Canyon, Mrs. Mildred Seals of Paris, Texas, and Mrs. Calvin Sherwood of Direct, Texas; Mrs. Gray's mother, Mrs. Fannie Lock of Honey Grove; a sister, Maribelle Lock of Honey Grove; a brother, Albert Lock of Paris, and 15 grandchildren.

### BADLY NEEDED

A boon to mankind is the new traffic signal device which shows how much time is left before the green light changes to red.

### SUBSTITUTE

Young lady would like talkative parrot for company; parents recently died; must be cheap.

### YOU CAN

You can make the average man mad by referring to him as an average man.

Minoo R. Masani, member, India's Parliament, after visit to U. S.: "Nowhere did I find any trace of the tension, hysteria or war-mongering about which one hears such a lot abroad."

Mary E. Holland, teacher, retiring after teaching for 52 years: "Schools now are better than ever and teaching methods are marvelous."

Dr. Maurice J. Lewi, University official, celebrating his 94th birthday: "I never waste energy resisting temptation."

Help Keep Canyon Clean!

### Researcher Finds Men Read Faster Than Gals in Survey

CINCINNATI, Ohio—While he declines to comment as to which sex can outtalk the other, William P. Wood, University of Cincinnati instructor in remedial reading, has statistics to prove that men read faster than women and also show greater improvement in reading speed in an organized course of study.

His statistics are taken from a survey of his Evening College class at the university in how to read better and faster.

Women members of the class showed an average rating increase of 200 points. Men outdistanced them with an average increase of 312 points.

In defense of the women, Wood said, men in the class outnumbered the women and most of the men were taking the course for professional reasons, while the women were mainly enrolled to increase their reading rate and comprehension for personal improvement.

Tests were taken at the beginning of the class and weekly progress recorded in graph form of each individual's work through an eight-week period, with another test being administered at the end.

Checks were made on comprehension rate to see whether the student's comprehension was keeping pace with the improvement of his reading skill.

The person showing the greatest increase was an engineer who was required to read technical subjects. His rating at the beginning of the course was 166, at the end 745. The next highest score was made by a shoe salesman, who increased his rating 400 points from 175 to 575.

Two women school teachers increased their ratings 380 and 390 points respectively.

A housewife increased her reading speed 100 points.

A cab driver increased his rate by 172 points; a psychiatrist, 282; a draftsman, 297; a truck driver, 187.

Wood pointed out that possibly the reason for the housewife's low rate of increase was that her motivation was for pleasure reading, while the engineer's motivation was for professional improvement.

### Good Boss Comes to Rescue Of Errant Truck Driver

MILWAUKEE, Wis.—It certainly pays to have a good boss, as Alan R. Call, the wandering truck driver, will testify.

Call, 35, was a week late returning from a trip to New York where he was to pick up \$1,200 for the firm. He had only \$700 on him when arrested and said that the rest of the money had gone for a spree.

Call's employer, Melvin Vollmer, appeared in court and asked for leniency, saying that Call was a good employee. In fact he would like to have him back.

Vollmer and Call left together. The truck driver intends to work off the debt.

### Specialist Reports Allergy Is Cause of Ear Troubles

ATLANTIC CITY—Allergy is a frequent cause of ear troubles, or a complicating factor in such conditions, a Pittsburgh ear, nose and throat specialist, has reported.

Dr. Raymond E. Jordan said that 200 of 727 patients seen last year—approximately one out of four—had ear conditions caused or complicated by allergy.

"It is apparent that the role of allergy is becoming increasingly important in otology," Dr. Jordan said. "The fundamentals of allergic management should become a major subject in the postgraduate training of otolaryngologists (specialists in ear and throat diseases)."

He said that one of the most common middle ear conditions seen in his practice is known medically as chronic secretory otitis media. Of 111 cases last year, 87 per cent were classified as allergic in origin.

Dr. Jordan reported that antihistaminic drugs have been useful in the diagnosis and early control of many of the cases in which allergy is involved. However, after continued use the drugs lose their effectiveness and allergic investigation is usually necessary, he added.

### Soldiers Now 'Buddies' After Frightening Jump

FORT CAMPBELL, Ky.—Strange incidents often foster comradeships in the Army. Take, for example, the case of Cpl. Ken Norton, Minneapolis, and Pfc. Raymond Nord, St. Thomas, N. D.

The two were only acquaintances until Nord saved Norton's life.

The army reported that, on a recent practice jump, the two soldiers' parachute lines tangled and Norton's canopy lost its air. Nord grabbed the loose lines and guided him safely to the ground—about 500 feet.

Norton said: "We were just friends before, but we're real buddies now."

A spokesman said that Nord has been recommended for the Soldier's Medal for exceptional heroism while not in actual combat. He suffered burns on both hands.

### CONCEITED!

Is he conceited? Why, he joined the Navy to let the world see him.

### Disappointment

Speaking of kids reminds me of the yarn passed on about the little girl who had a pet canary. After the usual number of years of singing, the bird died.

The child was heartbroken, so a fitting funeral was arranged for the departed musician. The bird was put in a cigar box and buried in the garden. After the service was over, the girl whispered to her dad.

"Do you think my little canary will go to heaven?" she asked.

"I imagine so," replied her father. "Why?"

"I was just thinking," she mused, "how cross St. Peter will be when he opens the box and finds it isn't cigars after all!"

### Safety First

Two Irishmen on a tandem bike at last got to the top of a steep hill. "That was a stiff climb," said Pat.

"It sure was," Mike replied, "and if I hadn't kept the brake on we would have gone backward for sure."

### COW LICK



William Dana Orcutt tells of a young politician who, in his first appearance at a county fair, was trying to convince the farmers that he was one of them. "Feeling the urge to get away from the hot pavements last Sunday, my feet took me into the country. As I walked along a bosky glade, I came out into a sylvan meadow through which flowed a pearly brook. Beside the brook stood a cow with an expression of anxiety on her face. I discovered that her offspring had fallen into the brook, and was unable to extricate itself from its dilemma."

"And—fellow citizens, I waded in and lifted the helpless creature tenderly to the bank. And that mother cow, instead of going to her calf as one would have expected, came directly to me and lapped the dripping water from my clothes."

"Now I ask you—was that not a demonstration of one of the greatest of all human attributes? Was that not a touching expression of gratitude?"

"No," came the answering voice from the crowd. "She thought she had another calf!"

### LAST WORD



Alec Templeton, the blind piano virtuoso, is credited with having the last word in this story.

A woman waylaid him after a radio broadcast and gushed: "Oh, Mr. Templeton, that last selection you played was divine. May I ask who was the composer?"

"Bach, madam," Templeton replied.

"Wonderful," the lady burred, "and is he composing at present?"

"No," the pianist answered, "de-composing."

### CAN DO BETTER

The old farmer was dozing in the shade of his front porch, when a high-pressure salesman bustled up the front walk and awakened him with a cheery "Good afternoon." He had a sample book of a 10-volume set of scientific agriculture he was selling.

The old farmer was at length persuaded to page through the specimen volume.

"Nope," he objected, "ain't got no use for it."

"But you ought to have it," the salesman insisted. "It will teach you to farm twice as good as you do now."

"Nope, son," barked the ancient agriculturist, "I don't farm half as good now as I know how."

### Lucky Mishap

A man arrived home rather late with a heavy red mark on his face. "Is that lipstick?" queried his wife ominously.

"No, it's blood—I had a nasty accident on the way home."

"Humph," said the wife. "That was lucky for you."

DiSalle denies any plans for de-control of commodities.

# LAST CALL FOR Discount 1951 SCHOOL TAXES ARE DUE

The discount for December will be only 1 per cent.

Taxes for the year 1951 will become delinquent on February 1, 1952 with a penalty added.

## LEE FOSTER

Tax Collector, Canyon Independent School District

### Christmas Sale of TB Stamps Goes Over in Texas

Dr. David McCullough of Kerrville, president of the Texas Tuberculosis Association, today expressed the Association's appreciation to Texans for their generous support of the 1951 Christmas Seal Sale being conducted by the TTA and its 97 local affiliated groups throughout the State to raise funds for tuberculosis control.

Christmas Seal Sale contributions to date have totaled \$422,722 to

ward an estimated \$700,000 needed to carry on the work planned by the voluntary associations for the coming year. Dr. McCullough said that "an enthusiastic vote of thanks" is due all residents of the State for their "generous purchase and widespread use of Christmas Seals."

"Over and over, people who have sent contributions in the campaign have told us that they are glad of the opportunity to support our crusade against tuberculosis," Dr. McCullough said. "Many have benefited from one or more services of the Association, some have said they know what it is to have tuber-

culosis strike a loved one, and some simply have said they wanted the excellent work of the Association to continue.

"The Texas Tuberculosis Association wishes to go on record as wholeheartedly thanking the people of Texas who are contributing to the 1951 Seal Sale."

John D. McClellan, U. S. Senator from Arkansas, calling for "purge" of corrupt public officials: "Immediate relief from the anguish and injury of these intolerable conditions is imperative."

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## THE AMERICAN WAY



Junk For Sale

## 'Rosetta Stone' Inscription Key To Old Language

ANN ARBOR—A perfect copy of a new "Rosetta Stone" inscription, which has eluded would-be translators for generations, is now in New York.

Rubber molds of the inscription, which is carved into the stone walls of a rugged mountain pass, 10,000 feet high, between Iran and Iraq, is one of the prizes of the University of Michigan Expedition to the Near East. The inscription is the key to hitherto unknown languages of the past, and conceivably, could lead to a new or different interpretation of ancient history.

The copy was brought back by Dr. George G. Cameron, director of the expedition and chairman of the University's Department of Near Eastern Studies.

The Michigan expedition stepped back into history to study a civilization which has changed little in recent centuries. Members of the group, first integrated study group of its kind in the Near East, spent more than six months in Kurdistan, an isolated and primitive region of Northern Iraq and Iran, which was historically inhabited by the Medes and early Persians. The group investigated the archeology, history, political structure, culture, people, language, geography and zoology of the little known area.

The original "Rosetta Stone" was found in 1799 and served as the key to deciphering the Egyptian hieroglyphics.

### Colorful Costumes

In a letter to the University, Professor Cameron reported on the inhabitants of the region—"We found them, true to their traditions, the modern Rudolph Valentinos of the Near East clad in bright, colorful costumes, equipped with silver handled hunjurs or knives, and riding magnificent Arab steeds." The people were most friendly, he said, whether they were wealthy or poor, "they welcomed us to their homes and tents."

One of the most spectacular undertakings of the expedition was copying the inscription. In June, Cameron and his assistants made a three-day trip by horseback through places where the snow was six feet deep to the Kelishin mountain pass. Here they waited three days in hail, snow, rain, and freezing weather for a chance to scale the mountain wall to copy the inscription. The weather did not let up and they had to return to the base camp.

On July 4 they reached the pass again and made a perfect impression of the inscription with a rubber compound.

The location of the inscription has been known for years, but never copied. A brief examination by a British explorer was made in 1898.

### General's Guests

Cooperation of the Iranian and Iraqi governments was freely given the expedition, Professor Cameron wrote. On one occasion members of the group were guests of an Iranian general on a tour of inspection of the Kurdish tribes.

An unparalleled analysis of the Kurdish city of Rowanduz in north-eastern Iraq was carried out by all members of the group, each one studying his specialty. Most of the traveling in the mountainous terrain was done by jeep, truck and station-wagon. More than 10,000 miles were registered on the vehicles. Headquarters of the expedition was Baghdad, Iraq.

### Don't Punish Children For Errors in Speech

If Junior says "Ain't" or "He done it", don't punish the child or ridicule his mistake by repeating it before others.

According to the child guidance experts, improper correction may cure the incorrect speech habit, but it may produce a personality problem that is far more difficult to cure. If correction becomes painful, a child may escape the attack by becoming silent and reserved.

The best method to correct incorrect habits is by a gentle reminder when the error is made and a quiet substitution of the right form.

School teachers have found that they get better results in private conferences rather than before a class. Parents, too, will get more desirable results if they use individual conferences when correcting a child's language.

### Stolen Bus is Returned After 100-Mile Joy Ride

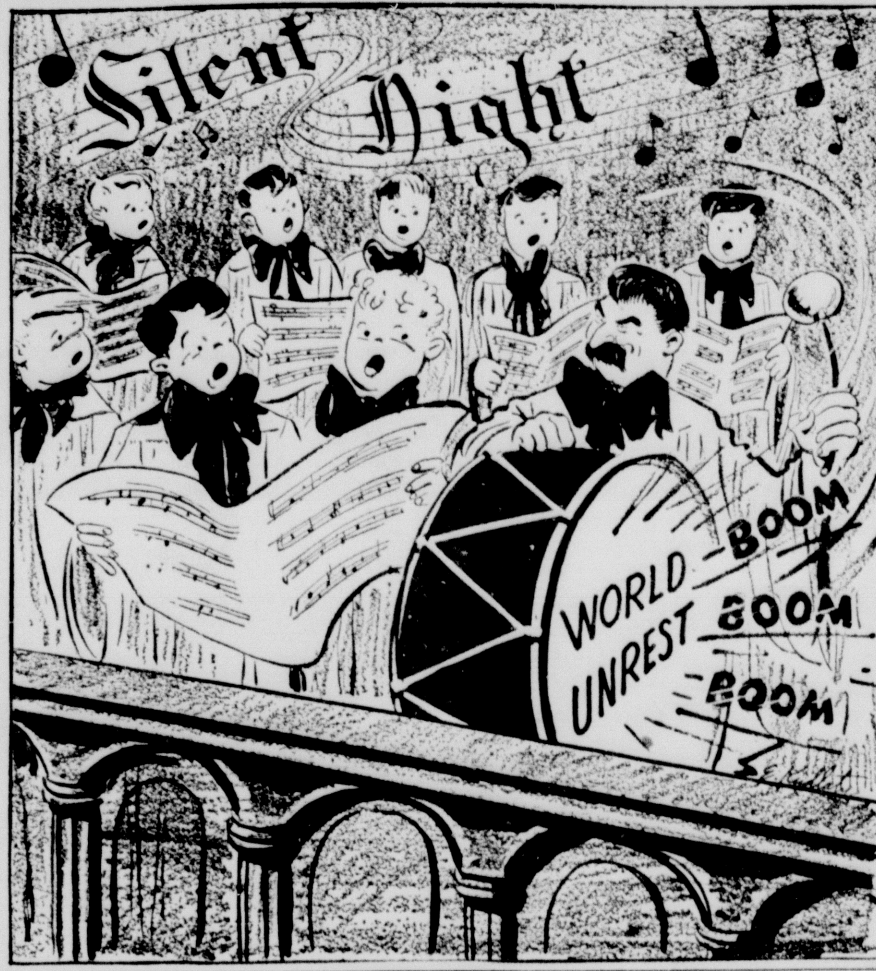
WASHINGTON — Police were quick to turn up with a bus that had been reported stolen. But no one knew who had taken the vehicle for a 100-mile joy ride.

Donald Lawrence reported that a motor coach that he was driving on a sight-seeing trip was stolen in downtown Washington while it was momentarily empty.

Passengers on the tour were sent on in another bus. Five hours later, the missing vehicle was found, one block from where it was taken. The speedometer, however, showed it had traveled 100 miles.

Uranium for atomic use found in fertilizer phosphates.

## The Sour Note



## Texas Schools Are Making Study of Wild Life Work

The Director of Conservation Education and Departmental Publications for the Game and Fish Commission foresees new interest in conservation education in Texas through information about to be distributed.

The brochure, which will be sent to all Texas schools shortly, describes the material and services provided by the Commission and breaks down the data for the various scholastic classifications.

The introduction to the prospectus states:

"Leaders in business, education and government recognize that one of the great problems in conservation is a public awareness. The creation of such an awareness is a function of education."

"As a result of the growing interest in conservation education, the Texas Game and Fish Commission has joined hands with other natural resource agencies cooperating in a state-wide program under the direction of the Texas Education Agency."

Then the document reviews the data best suited for the high school level and the elementary school level and describes the "teacher packet" with its assorted features. Reporting on wildlife conserva-

tion education phases in the elementary schools and junior high schools, the Commission outline states:

"Some of the best areas for teaching conservation by integration and correlation are science, social studies, language arts, agriculture and health education. Conservation units can be developed in each area for each grade, or one conservation unit can be adapted to several grades. Certain conservation principles can be taught at all grade levels. For example, the principle, 'Plants and Animals Live Together in Communities,' is applicable to every grade in the elementary and junior high school."

### HILLIER HOME SCENE OF CHRISTMAS PARTY

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hillier entertained their neighbors with a Christmas party on Wednesday evening, December 19.

Upon arrival guests were served sandwiches, coffee, pie and candy. Gifts were exchanged from the beautifully decorated Christmas tree, followed by the playing of Christmas carols.

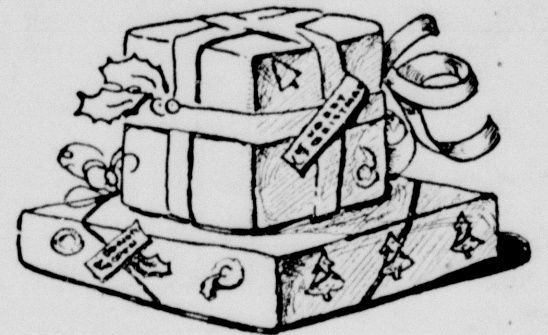
Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Vaughn, Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Black, Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Markham, Florence Coulter, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hillier.

Army is trying out a new uniform to replace olive drab.

## Christmas Cheer

At Christmas time we celebrate His coming . . . His wisdom . . . His Faith. Let us remember in the months ahead, the cheer that His teaching brought us now . . . and live by them, EVERY day.

## Western Auto Associate Store



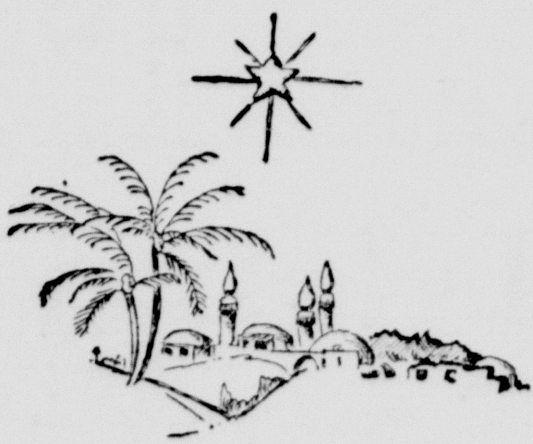
## "THE GIFT WITHOUT THE GIVER IS BARE"

We give to you, our friends, this Christmas Day, our deepest appreciation for the fullness of the friendship that you have given us all these years. With our gift, we enclose a little piece of our hearts for you to keep. Bless you, this Christmas, and always.

## RADIO APPLIANCE

## HARPER'S LAUNDRY

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## The Star -- Our Beacon of Faith

The Star of Bethlehem which guided the Three Wise Men to the manger where the child-Jesus lay, still casts its gentle beams on this troubled Earth. Let us lift up our eyes unto this beacon — this symbol of Heavenly guidance. Let us enrich the lives of our fellow-men this Christmas with a new understanding of the brotherhood of Man.

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